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EX-POLICE RESERVIST AS WITNESS.

Volunteer in Alleged Arson Case.

KEEN CROSS-EXAMINATION.

When the case of alleged arson was resumed at the Assizes this morning, Leng Luk-tsun, master of the Sang Loong hardware shop, Belchers Street, gave evidence against the first accused.

He said that he first made the acquaintance of No. 1 on August 15, and saw him several times until September 1, since when he had not been seen. He had a conversation with No. 1 concerning the sale of a ship to No. 1 through him (witness). This was about August 25 or 26. He then told the accused that a friend of his in official circles in Canton had a ship which was seized by accused, and he (witness) wished to effect a settlement between the parties.

Insurance Rules.

During this conversation, witness alleged, No. 1 inquired the rules and regulations in Hong Kong relating to insurance, and witness told him that the rules of every insurance Company were about the same, adding: "You can get the rules from them." About half-an-hour later, the accused asked: "Is the commission of arson in Hong Kong a very serious crime?" Witness replied: "Ten years imprisonment." They did not discuss anything else.

Witness concluded his evidence by saying: "He owes me some money and has not paid me. I came here as a voluntary witness."

Ship Seized.

Cross-examined by Mr. Jenkin, the witness said that the money accused owed him was balance due on the ship. Witness did not know that the ship was seized by accused in Admiralty action in that Court. Witness denied that he was sent down from Canton to act as middle man.

Mr. Jenkin: How did you come to know the accused?—Through an introduction by a friend of mine named Yam Mang-lai. I was acting for the person who had bought the ship. His name is also Kim.

Is he a Canton official?—No, he lives in Yaumati.

He bought the ship from the Canton Naval authorities?—Yes. This ship was previously seized by the pickets in the 1925 strike?—I don't know that.

Do you still say that you do not know that it was seized here by action in the Hong Kong Court?—I have no idea of that. What is the name of the ship?—Wah Sang.

"Free Vessel."

It was called the Chi Yau in Canton?—It was known in Canton as the Chi Yau Lam, which means "free vessel."

Previous to ownership by the Canton authorities this ship belonged to No. 1?—I don't know that.

Ever heard of the Shi Lai S.S. Co.?—No.

Apparently you spent all your time talking about arson and did not learn anything about the ship?—Replying to another question, the witness said that the figure agreed upon for the sale of the ship was \$7,500 in cash \$2,250 in a promissory note.

Mr. Jenkin: Both these sums represent the purchase price?—Yes.

Would it be a surprise to you to learn that in the assignment the purchase price is given as \$7,500 only?—That is true; the \$2,250 was not mentioned there.

Do you swear that the \$2,250 is part of the purchase price?—It was considered as compensation to the seller who is not the sole owner of the ship.

A Very Happy Term.

Compensation is a very happy term. You were to get a share of the \$2,250?—No. I did not get a cent.

Is it because you did not get anything that you are here today as a witness?—Nothing was promised to me out of that money.

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CHILDREN AT HOME ARE HEALTHIER.

Report Shows Lower Rate of Disease.

40,000 BABIES SAVED.

Rugby, Yesterday.

An encouraging report on school medical services for 1929 by the Chief Officer, Sir George Newman, is issued to-day. In general, malnutrition among school children has not increased in spite of unemployment and the bad times. Preventive medicine and enlightened motherhood have reduced the infant mortality rates, so that 40,000 lives are saved annually that would have been lost generation ago. That there is no corresponding improvement in the sickness rate among school children is accounted for partly by a more thorough inspection and partly by the temporary decline in stamina and the resistance to disease relatively to general when the infant mortality rate was higher. Disease and disability, however, affects only one quarter of the children and consists chiefly of remediable minor ailments which show a decline in severity.—British Wireless Service.

Canton officials?—No; he paid money to buy this ship.

He was the vendor to No. 1?—Yes.

Do you say that all that you have done as middle man was done for love?—No, for the sake of money. No. 1 promised me \$500 to get the sale through, and he did not pay me.

The \$500 is not part of the promissory note for \$2,250?—No.

How is it you happened to give evidence for the Crown in this case?—I went to the Police of my own accord. I had sued him.

His Lordship: When?—On September 7 or 8.

Had you a solicitor?—Yes, Mr. Remedios.

Mr. Jenkin: Did the case come to Court?—The summons was not served.

Hiding Alleged.

Why?—Because he was in hiding.

How do you know he was in hiding?—I have been several times to the Tin Sang Tong and he was not there.

Every time you go to look for a person and he is not at his house, do you say he is in hiding?—No; but in his case I have called often and was told by folks that he had gone to Macao. On one occasion a friend told me that he had been seen in the streets. I went to look for him and was told that he had gone to Macao.

Do you know that at the date of the issuing of your writ he was almost daily at the offices of Messrs. Deacons putting through the scale of the ship, which was completed on September 18?—The sale was completed about August 30.

Why did you go to the Police Station?—On the morning of September 19 I read in the newspaper of the attempted arrest at his (accused's) place, 77, Wing Lok Street.

So you went up as fast as your legs could carry you?—I saw Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds.

An Ex-Police Reservist.

Have you ever been to the Police Station before?—Yes, I was a Police Reservist for four years.

You went up because of the conversation you had had with No. 1 about insurance and arson?—No.

Then, what light did you think you could have thrown on the path of justice?—I wanted to assist in the arrest of No. 1, not because he owed me \$500, but because of the \$2,250 owing to my friend on the promissory note of which I was a witness, and I was being blamed for accused's default.

Witness said that he saw Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds at about 11 a.m. on September 19 and told him about the promissory note.

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BANDITS CAPTURE HUNAN CITY.

Four Thousand Rebel Soldiers on the March.

OUTLAWS' LEADER.

Canton, Yesterday.

The Communist-bandits, numbering over 4,000, under Li Ming-shui, who having been incorporated into the rebels' forces under Pei Hsueh-hsi, had been stationed along Ho-chi and Tung-lan-chow, in Northern Kwangsi, suddenly revolted against Pei, marched into the Hunan territory, and assaulted Sui-ning, in south-eastern Hunan, on December 25, which city fell subsequently, due to the small number of regulars. With the capture of Sui-ning, the Communists made their headway in the direction of Wu-kiang, aiming at the occupation of Paokiang.

Red Invasion.

Learning of the Communist invasion, General Ho Chien, C-in-C. of the 4th Route Army, has lost no time in despatching the two brigades under Liu Chi-yen and Chang Chi-liang together with the garrison units under Tuan Hin to the Pao-Wu line to strengthen the defence and to intercept the Red hordes. The Government reinforcements arrived at Paokiang on December 26, passing Lung-kiang, Tao-fah, and Chang-shui on December 27, and Wang Kiu on December 28 en route to Wu-kiang. The Kweichow troops under Wang Chia-lieh, who participated in the campaign against the Ironside-Kwangsi insurgents, now massing at the Kwangsi-Hunan border, have been requested by General Ho Chien to stage a coup at the rear of the Communists in Sui-ning.

Li Ming-shui's career.

It will be recalled that Li Ming-shui was formerly a guardian of Hankow and a divisional commander of Li Taung-yen. At the outbreak of the Kwangsi rebellion, the former turned over to the Central Government, thus bringing the Kwangsi faction a collapse in Hupoh. Shortly afterwards, Li Ming-shui was promoted to the 7th Army Commander and transferred to Kwangsi in company with the ex-Kwangsi Chairman Yu Cho-pak. Having been influenced by the 3rd Internationale, Li and Yu attempted to establish a Soviet Government in that province. Yu took his flight to other countries, when the Communists were seriously crushed by the Government troops.

Plunder of Cities.

In spite of his failure, Li Ming-shui has so far remained in the Communist camp, trying every possibility in recruiting bandits to increase his rank. Now taking advantage of the weak defence in southern Hunan, he has led his Communist-bandits attempting to capture some cities, with the object of looting the merchants and enlisting more inhabitants into his army.

The outlaws will entrench themselves in the mountain again upon the arrival of Government reinforcements, as their main object is to avoid any direct encounter with large contingent of Government forces, but to plunder those cities where regulars are in a small number.—Canton News Agency.

PEOPLE'S PARLEY.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES FOR CHINESE CONFERENCE.

CONVENED NEXT YEAR.

Nanking, Yesterday.

It is learned that the National Government Council has adopted regulations regarding the election of delegates for the National People's Conference, which it is believed, will be convened next year. There will be about 450 delegates, who will be nominated by public bodies designated by the Central Government.—Reuter.

G. F. Chipman, editor of the Country Guide, predicts that the winter future will see orchards of standard eating apples in all parts of the Pacific, where about 100,000 acres are planted.

MARSHAL JOFFRE DYING.

Last Sacraments Given to Famous Soldier.

HUSHED CROWDS.

Paris, Yesterday.

Remarkable scenes occurred outside the nursing home where, Marshal Joffre, to whom, it is now disclosed, the last Sacraments were administered on December 26, relapsed into unconsciousness after an amazing display of vitality, following the amputation of a gangrened foot. The crowd in the street grew all day long, chatting in hushed tones while motor cars in endless numbers stopped at the door, bearing distinguished visitors enquiring the latest news.

A bulletin issued at 5.30 p.m. announced that Marshal Joffre had entered a state of coma.

Little Hope.

The doctor attending Marshal Joffre stated this morning that there is little hope of his lasting until to-morrow.—Reuter.

LAID TO REST.

FUNERAL OF CHAPLAIN TO THE FORCES.

GOVERNOR PRESENT.

The funeral of the Rev. W. F. Cruthwaite, M.C., M.A., Chaplain to the Forces, was held at the Protestant Cemetery, this morning.

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INJUNCTION ENDS BITTER STRUGGLE.

Opposition to Merger of U.S. Steel Company.

QUESTION OF SHARES.

Youngstown, Ohio, Yesterday.

The Court's decision is a sequel to the bitter six-months' legal struggle instigated by the opponents of the merger. The Court decided that the Youngstown directors did not give stockholders adequate information when asking them to approve of the merger. The judgment also attacks the ratio of the share exchange (whereby Youngstown stockholders receive one and a third Bethlehem shares for each Youngstown share, on the ground that no definite conclusion was possible that the ratio was adequate.—Reuter's American Service.

Financial Fight.

Youngstown, O., Yesterday.

An injunction has been granted against the Bethlehem and Youngstown steel sheet and tube merger.

The Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company was one of the last independent steel companies in the United States. Its shareholders approved the merger with the Bethlehem Steel Corporation last April, after one of the most spectacular financial fights of recent years in Ohio.

The merger represented a capital amounting to \$300,000,000.—Reuter's American Service.

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NO - TAX CAMPAIGN IN INDIA.

Civil Disobedience Move Intensified.

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HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI
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Issued and Fully Paid-up \$20,000,000
Reserve Funds \$20,000,000
Surplus \$20,000,000
Total Assets \$100,000,000

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GOLD SHORTAGE
FEAR.U.S. and the Silver
Value.

While fears of a shortage of gold within the next ten years arise from statistics compiled under the authority of the League of Nations, American experts are urging that the catastrophic low value and purchasing power of silver ought to be raised, says the Daily Mail, during mail week.

This, they argue, would result in an enormous gain to British trade and combat the world-wide economic depression. The restoration of the faith of the Oriental world in the purchasing power of silver would check the demoralisation which the forces of disorder are exploiting throughout the East.

The disquieting possibility of the world's supply of new gold coming to an end in the not very remote future emerges from statistics contained in the interim report of the League of Nations Gold Delegation.

The annual world output of gold to-day is approximately £83,000,000. It is estimated that a slight increase in the next three years will be followed by gradual decline until 1940, falling to £55,000,000 in 1950, after which the decrease will be more rapid as existing mines are worked out.

South Africa accounts for more than 50 per cent. of the world's gold production, but the difficulties and prohibitive cost of working at deep levels, as the upper veins become exhausted, point to a rapid decline in output after 1940.

That there is any likelihood of discovering fresh sources of any importance is not believed by many leading geologists, who say that the earth has now been fully prospected. On the other hand, it is stated that Canadian resources have not yet been properly touched, and the estimate for 1940 is £22,500,000.

Of the £772,000,000 worth of gold produced during the last years, jewellers and the like required £162,000,000, while India absorbed £195,000,000, leaving £415,000,000 only to be added to the stocks of gold money. Should fashions in jewellery and ornaments change, and the demand from India increase, the shortage in gold would become even more acute.

As no reduction in the demand for gold for industrial purposes is likely, only about one half of the total production will continue to be available for currency and banking purposes. Reduction in world output, therefore, will mean that by 1940 the supply for the latter purposes will not exceed five or six

million ounces a year, about half what it is at present.

Notes for Gold.

Among the remedies suggested for the situation is the replacement of gold by notes for domestic use, extension in the use of cheques, which should be free of stamp duty, post office banking facilities, and improvement in the mechanism of clearings.

The report also says that international agreement on the minimum of gold cover for notes would liberate a large amount of gold for banking purposes. World agreement on this delicate point, it is thought, might be reached if the twelve or so countries holding the largest gold reserves set the example.

Finally, the report expresses the hope that restriction of the concentration of monetary gold in the reserves of central banks and its limitation as a means of payment for international transactions may become generally realised, and asserts that appreciable economy might be effected if all the gold coin and gold immobilised in commercial banks were made available to perform its proper function in the financial mechanism of to-day.

The Silver Slump.

The American Government is fully alive to the possibilities of improving world trade conditions through measures restoring Oriental purchasing power by raising the silver value from the present catastrophic low rate (approximately 1s. 4½d. per standard ounce), says the New York correspondent of the Daily Mail.

It is realised, however, that such measures, to be effective, must necessarily be taken under British leadership, because British interests are most vitally affected. Any initiative from the American side, it is pointed out, might be open to the suspicion that it is inspired by a desire to get a better price for silver, which happens to be the inevitable by-product of American copper, lead, and tin mining.

While a better price for silver would be of undoubted benefit to silver producers in North and South America, this result is considered trifling compared with the enormous gain to British trade and British interests generally. This would accrue from the restoration of the silver value to a rate which would restore and stimulate the Oriental purchasing power, and thereby check the demoralisation which the forces of disorder are exploiting throughout the East.

Bankers Warned.

Mr. Benjamin Strong, the governor of the Federal Reserve Bank, warned British banking leaders five years ago that the British silver policy would have the catastrophic effect it has had since.

France to a lesser degree is interested, because of Indo-China and other Far East possessions. French representatives here have undoubtedly brought to the attention of their Government the views expressed by American experts concerning the silver situation.

Persons well informed express to me the conviction that the time is ripe for British initiative, for concerted measures to be adopted in the British Empire, the United States, France and French possessions, towards increasing materially the purchasing power of silver.

These measures, of a purely economic character, would have a profound repercussion, they argue, in giving constructive elements throughout the world an opportunity to assert themselves in overcoming the present world-wide economic depression.

The question asked here is whether British leadership will prove itself worthy of the opportunity, by timely, effective action, ending the policy of wait and see, which has had such appalling effects upon world trade. It is pointed out that as in the past Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, has discussed the gold situation with the heads of the New York Federal Reserve Bank and the Bank of France, it is now imperative that such discussion should take place for the protection of the gold standard. Imminent danger to this is lurking in further impairment of the faith of the Oriental world in the purchasing power of silver.

B. H. Thomson of Moose Jaw, a leading breeder of Holstein cattle in Western Canada, and a director of the Holstein-Friesian Association, has just finished making a number of records with a group of five cows and heifers, members of his best herd, which make an excellent showing. These five individuals, qualifying in the R.O.P. 1st but one in the 365-day division, gave a total production amounting to 73,082 pounds of milk, containing 3,267 pounds of butter, an average per animal of 14,606 pounds of milk containing 684 pounds of butter.

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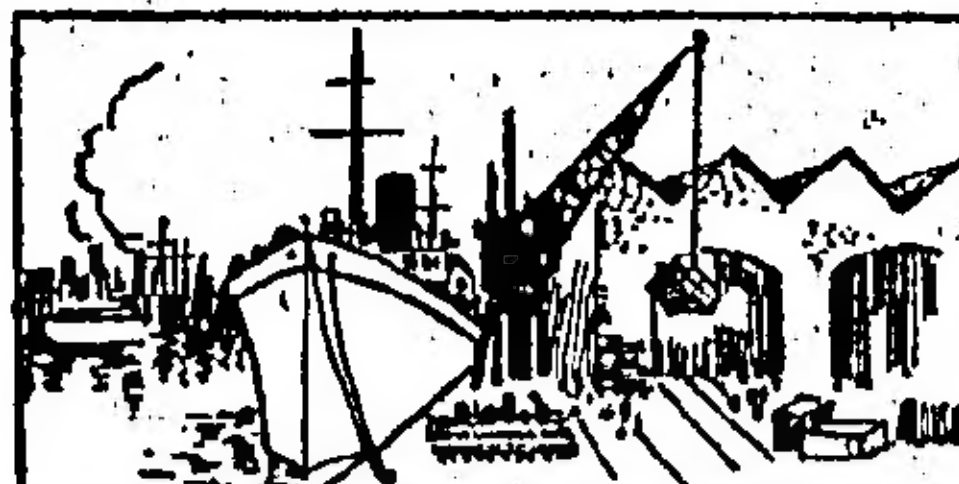
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IMPROVEMENT IN DESIGN.

The hope that the members of both Houses of Congress will continue to be ship-minded, and that additional legislation for the development of the United States merchant marine will be adopted if necessary was expressed in addresses delivered at the annual banquet of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers held in New York. The speakers were Mr. Arthur M. Free, Representative from the 8th Congressional district of California, and a member of the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, and Mr. H. G. Smith, president of the National Council of American Shipbuilders.

After reviewing the ups and downs of shipbuilding in the 37 years since the society was founded, Mr. Smith said the one thing certain about the future is that the shipyards must rely upon building for the merchant marine rather than for the Navy. The U.S. merchant marine at present, he pointed out, consists of some 1,400 vessels of about 7,800,000 gross tons, fairly evenly divided between the coastwise and foreign trades.

Building of new vessels for the coastwise trade, he said, has been retarded by the continued existence of an idle Shipping Board fleet of ships available for purchase at low prices, about 250 of which still exist. Ultimately, he said, replacements of vessels in the coastwise trade will call for the building of about 25 vessels a year each of about 8,000 tons gross register, while a similar number will be required for replacements in the foreign trade fleet.

Too Optimistic.

"The ships now building and those definitely required to be built under the Merchant Marine Act of 1928," Mr. Smith said, "are about sixty in number, and constitute, therefore, but a small percentage of the fleet necessary to retain our present tonnage of vessels in the foreign trade. It would be foolish to assume that our present starry-eyed optimism is permanently in the carriage of goods in this trade. This would be too optimistic. As stated, the work in sight, together with that now under way, should provide a programme of about \$15,000,000 a year from January 1, 1930, to the end of 1934, but the programme beyond that date must be based upon probabilities."

"U.S. ships are but one link in the line of transportation from producer to consumer and, where we sell in competitive markets, we can develop and maintain these markets only through the use of U.S. ships where the goods will be transported not only with a view to the freight money to be received, but also with a sympathetic regard to fair freight rates, prompt and safe handling, and to a further development of the markets to which the goods are consigned."

"Distribution of our surplus production to foreign markets is of national importance. The growth of these markets requires a sufficient number of U.S. ships in each trade route to control them. There is concrete evidence that trade follows the flag as shown by the growth of our trade with Europe, South America, Asia and Africa, where our trade has doubled, trebled and in one case quadrupled since the re-establishment by the Shipping Board of U.S. vessels in the principal trade routes to these countries."

"A cargo vessel, combination vessel or oil tanker costs from 60 to 80 per cent. more to build in the United States than in Great Britain. The operating costs are consequently higher. It is, therefore, incumbent upon U.S. designers, builders and operators to see that the ships employed in our foreign trade are of the most economical design for the service intended and of the lowest practicable cost so as to keep the differential in cost between a U.S. built and a foreign-built ship to the lowest possible figure. As the foreign wage rates are, in all cases, less than half of those in the United States, a substantial differential in cost will always exist."

"The Merchant Marine Act of 1928 provides definite aid for the building of new vessels of the passenger and combination types, but does not give sufficient encouragement for the building of cargo ships, which constitute the backbone of any trade fleet. Such ships are necessary to replace those just described as being now in service and which are from ten to

twelve years old and out of date when compared with the more modern vessels of other countries.

Government Aid.

"Other nations decree subsidies and Government aids to our shipping, but this need not worry us. These same nations have built up their own shipping through Government aid when it was necessary to meet the competition of other maritime countries."

"Our course is clear enough. We have already taken a splendid step in the right direction and are building some fine vessels that are second to none—building by any foreign nation, and this first step will certainly be followed by others that will keep a U.S.-built, U.S.-owned merchant marine upon the seas."

Representative Free in his address traced the history of the U.S. merchant marine from the days of the Collins Line and the establishment of the Pacific Mail. "Under the authority of Congress," he said, "the Shipping Board has loaned \$2,735,000 to shipowners for the construction of vessels, and commitments have been taken for a further \$16,415,000."

"Since the new policy of greater insistence upon new construction was adopted two years ago, forty-six new vessels have been contracted for at a cost of \$36,800,000, in connection with the award of sixteen mail contracts entailing the expenditure of \$2,800,000 annually for ten years. Prior to the adoption of this policy, twenty-four mail contracts had been awarded for \$2,800,000 annually, with only 15 vessels required to be constructed."

"What of the future? Another Congress has just been elected. There will be about seventy new faces in that Congress. Let us hope they will be ship-minded. The friends of a U.S. merchant marine must see to it that they get the real picture and that we do not turn backward."

"Another thing must be thought about. All the new building has been in the shipyards on the Atlantic Coast. This should be distributed among the yards in all parts of our country. Give every section a share of this building even though there may be some disadvantage in doing so."

CLAIM FOR \$800,000

JUDGMENT FOR VICKERS-ARMSTRONG, LIMITED.

In the King's Bench Division on Monday, Mr. Justice Wright gave judgment for defendants in the action which Continental Contractors, Ltd., of Central House, Finsbury-square, London, brought against Vickers-Armstrong, to recover damages for alleged breach of contract and for an account of commission alleged to be due from the defendants to the plaintiffs.

During the hearing it was stated that the three directors of the plaintiff company were big industrialists in Russia before the revolution, and the claim was in connection with orders which, plaintiffs alleged, they obtained first for Vickers, Ltd., and later for the Vickers group. Plaintiffs claimed from defendant \$800,000 commission.

Defendant denied that the agreement was extended or that it was varied in other ways alleged by the plaintiffs. Defendants admitted that their termination of the arrangement between them and the plaintiffs constituted a breach.

Argument arising from the judgment will be heard at a later date.

SINGAPORE SHIPPING.

In spite of the economic depression which prevailed in British Malaya during the past two years, tonnage of shipping at the port of Singapore continued to grow, and reached a new high record in 1929, states the U.S. Vice-Consul at Singapore, in Commerce Reports.

The geographic position of the port, he says, gives it a great natural advantage over the ports of neighbouring countries. During the past 20 years it has lost a considerable amount of its transshipment trade in native produce (spices, etc.), but this loss has been completely overshadowed by its increased transshipment trade in rubber, tin, and manufactured goods, in addition to its increased direct export trade in rubber and tin. All indications point to the continued growth of shipping at the port of Singapore.

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Sunday, Dec. 28.
Florenia D., American str., 1,518 tons, Capt. A. Heirandra, from Manila, Taikoo Dock.—L. Everett Inc.

Helikon, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. W. Lee, from Saigon, buoy No. B19.—Wo Fat Sing.
Hong Kheng, British str., 3,975 tons, Capt. D. M. Hood, from Singapore, buoy No. A10.—J. & S.

Kashima Maru, Japanese str., 9,908 tons, Capt. T. Takezaki, from London via Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Leverbank, British str., 3,149 tons, Capt. W. J. Mann, from Amoy, Standard Oil Wharf.—Bank Line.

Linan, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. J. Layton, from Canton, buoy No. B13.—B. & S.

Tasmania Maru, Japanese str., 2,617 tons, Capt. Y. Esaki, from Miike, buoy No. A2.—N.Y.K.

Tjileboet, Dutch str., 3,635 tons, Captain J. Schol, from Amoy, buoy No. A4.—J.C.J.L.

Monday, Dec. 29.
Cheongshing, British str., 1,256 tons, Captain Burleigh, from Canton, buoy No. B35.—J. M. & Co.

Dorry, German str., 878 tons, Capt. J. Bruhn, from Hoihow, Yaumati Anchorage.—Chau Yue Teng.

Hague Maru, Japanese str., 3,452 tons, Captain I. Tsuda, from Karatsu, buoy No. A28.—O.S.K.

Ho Sang, British str., 5,598 tons, Capt. Field Hook, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Iyo Maru, Japanese str., 5,961 tons, Captain T. Sonoyama, from Bombay, Colombo and Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Kiangsu, British str., 1,555 tons, Capt. C. P. Miller, from Swatow, buoy No. B40.—B. & S.

King Yuan, British str., 1,546 tons, Captain J. D. Whyte, from Swatow, buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Malacca Maru, Japanese str., 3,210 tons, Captain C. Ishida, from Moji via Sakito, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Montevideo Maru, Japanese str., 7,266 tons, Capt. M. Yamaguchi, from Kobe, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

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The P. & O. s.s. Comorin left Singapore for this port on December 28 at 4 p.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here on January 1 at about 5 p.m.

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*JEYPORE	5,318	10th Jan. 10 a.m.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
KASHMIR	8,955	17th Jan.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
COMORIN	15,132	31st Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*PERIM	7,648	7th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
KASHGAR	9,005	14th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp.

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TALMA	10,000	3rd Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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ST. ALBANS	4,500	1931. 2nd Jan. 3 p.m.	Manila, Rabaul, Brisbane, Sydney
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TANDA	6,956	28th Feb.	

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*KIDDERPORE	5,334	1931. 1st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
COMORIN	15,132	2nd Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	6,853	4 p.m.	
TALMA	10,000	12th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	17th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHIVA	9,185	25th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MALWA	10,980	31st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,956	6th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHIVER	9,114	14th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SOMALI	16,010	20th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAWALPINDI	16,010	28th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.

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28, 1930 from Manila with twenty
first class and twenty steerage pas-
sengers, 44 tons of cargo and fifteen
bags of mail. For ports beyond
are twenty-one first class passen-
gers. Among the passengers for
Hong Kong are:—

Mr. Frank J. Farr, A medical
practitioner, returning to Hong
Kong after a short stay in the
Philippines.

Mrs. E. W. Gude, wife of a
Manila lumber official, on a vaca-
tion trip to London. Mrs. Gude is
accompanied by her daughter.

Mr. Karl Kroier, a Shanghai fac-
tory representative, on a business
trip in the south.

Col. James R. Pourie, an officer in
the U. S. Army, returning to Hong
Kong after a trip to the Philippines.
Col. Pourie is accompanied by his
wife.

Mr. Lewis H. Ruffin, an official of
the National City Bank of New
York.

Mr. Shandas Chellaram, A silk
merchant, on a business trip to
Hong Kong.

PRES. ADAMS.

PROMINENT PASSENGERS ON BOARD.

The following passengers were
on board the President Adams
which left Hong Kong on Decem-
ber 28:—

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. R. Conant,
returning home to the U.S. on
furlough. Mr. Conant is an offi-
cer of the Standard Oil Co. of
New York in Hong Kong.

Mr. and Mrs. F. McD. Courtney,
on a holiday trip to the Philip-
pines. Mr. Courtney is the Head
of the local Branch of the National
City Bank.

Mr. Georges Remond, Counsellor
du Commerce Exterior in
Lyons, making a round trip to
Manila.

Lt. Comdr. Schrader, Commander
of the U.S. Gunboat Guam, travel-
ling to Manila.

Mr. H. T. Nones, American
Trade Commissioner, travelling
to Manila.

EMPRESS OF RUSSIA.

PROMINENT PASSENGERS ON BOARD.

Among the passengers on Board
the Empress of Russia which
arrived here yesterday were:—

Mr. P. A. Cox, assistant Oriental
manager C.P.R., on a business trip
to Hong Kong.

Mr. Geo. Hogg, manager, National
City Bank of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Embree,
on a pleasure trip to the Orient.

Mr. E. Hayim, manager, Ben-
jamin and Potts.

Mr. M. Franklin Kline, regular
world traveller.

Mr. B. M. Tyler, merchant, on a
business trip to the Orient.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Finch, on a
business trip to the Orient.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Turner,
round the world travellers.

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PROMINENT PASSENGERS ON BOARD.

Passengers on board the Pres.
Cleveland, which arrived here to-
day, include the following:—

Mr. G. T. Thach, en route to Hong
Kong to join the staff of the Na-
tional City Bank of New York, ac-
companied by his mother, Mrs.
A. T. Thach.

Mr. Rush Wilson, President of
the Seaside National Bank of
Seaside, New York, stopping over
in Hong Kong on a round-the-world
tour, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson.

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G. T. Thach, Mrs. A. T. Thach, Mr.
and Mrs. Rush Wilson.

Per s.s. President Lincoln on
December 30:—
Mr. Howard C. Arnold, Mrs.
Davenport Brown, Mr. Shandas
Chellaram, Mr. Raffaelo De Angeles,
Miss A. M. Freeland, Mr. Frank J.
Farr, Mrs. E. N. Gude, Miss Mary
E. Gude, Mr. George Heudebert,
Mr. Karl Kroier, Mrs. Agnes M.
Najar, Miss Yvonne Najar, Col.
James R. Pourie, Mrs. James R.
Pourie, Mr. A. L. Poli, Mr. Lewis
H. Ruffin, Mrs. Ernest Thompson
Seton, Mr. Harold Stuck, Mr. Justo
Teodoro, Mr. Jorge Teodoro, Mr.
Anson Van-Bynen.

Per s.s. Kashima Maru from
London on December 29:—
Mr. J. H. Austin, Mr. S. T. But-
lin, Mr. N. K. Bain, Mrs. H. M.
Bain, Mr. J. R. Barne, Mr. J. M. M.
Ephington, Miss M. C. Fraser, Mr.
R. G. Geer, Mrs. S. V. Harmon,
Mr. B. C. Hopper, Mr. Imamura,
Mr. E. C. Mirdack, Mr. Y. H. Nye,
Mr. T. R. Parsons, Mrs. W. M.
Parsons, Mr. G. H. Pearson, Mr.
G. W. Sewell, Mrs. Sharpam, Mr.
J. F. Sharpam, Mr. C. J.
Thompson, Mr. E. A. Thompson,
Mr. C. R. Wilson, Mrs. A. L.
Wilson.

Per s.s. Iyo Maru from Bombay
on December 29:—
Mr. J. A. Fenner, Mrs. Anna
Fenner, Mrs. B. Fenner, Mrs. Jay
Fenner, Miss Joan Fenner, Miss
Peggy Fenner, Mr. H. A. Richard-
son, Mrs. Dorothy Tod, Mr. Rempel
Tanaka.

Per s.s. Empress of Russia, on
December 29:—
Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Embree, Mr.
and Mrs. W. H. Turner, Mr. P. A.
Cox, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Finch, Mr.
Fuchs, Mr. G. Hogg, Mrs. L. Jor-
genson, Mr. J. Pooler, Mr. W.
Ranger, Mr. B. M. Tyler, Mrs. G. L.
Wainscott, Mr. G. W. Dikkers, Mr.
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DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. Kashima Maru for Japan
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his associates, Daniels, Dixon and
Tabor, who received lesser sen-
tences, will be removed to Park-
hurst Prison, Isle of Wight.

Hatry was sentenced to 14
years' penal servitude last Janu-
ary for his share in City frauds
involving millions of pounds.

He has been working in the pri-
son printing shop, binding books.
He has also been studying Spanish.
Tabor and Dixon work as com-
positors in the shop, and Daniels
operates a printing machine.

Maidstone Prison was sold re-
cently to Kent Council, and under
the contract a quarter of the
building must be handed over to
the council by the end of the
year.

Two hundred prisoners serving
short sentences will be transfer-
red to London, and others, includ-
ing Hatry, are to go to the Isle
of Wight.

HONG KONG TIDE

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December 30 to January 5, 1930.

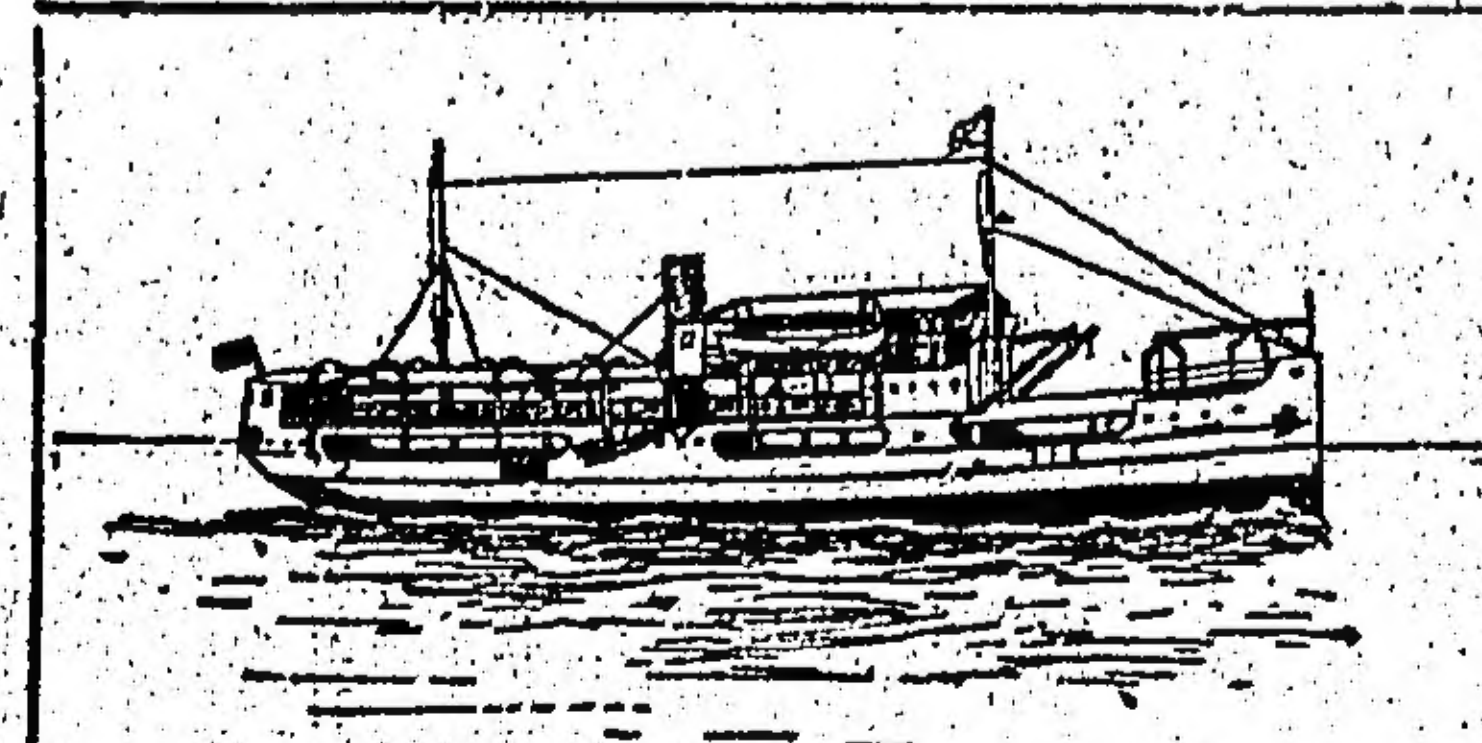
DATE	HIGH WATER		LOWE WATER	
	Standard Time	Ht.	Standard Time	Ht.
Tues. 30	4 43	4.5	11 3	4.5
Wed. 31	5 57	4.5	11 51	3.8
Thurs. 1	7 13	4.5	12 37	3.0
Fri. 2	8 30	4.3	1 10	4.5
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Sun. 4	11 10	4.1	3 44	3.0
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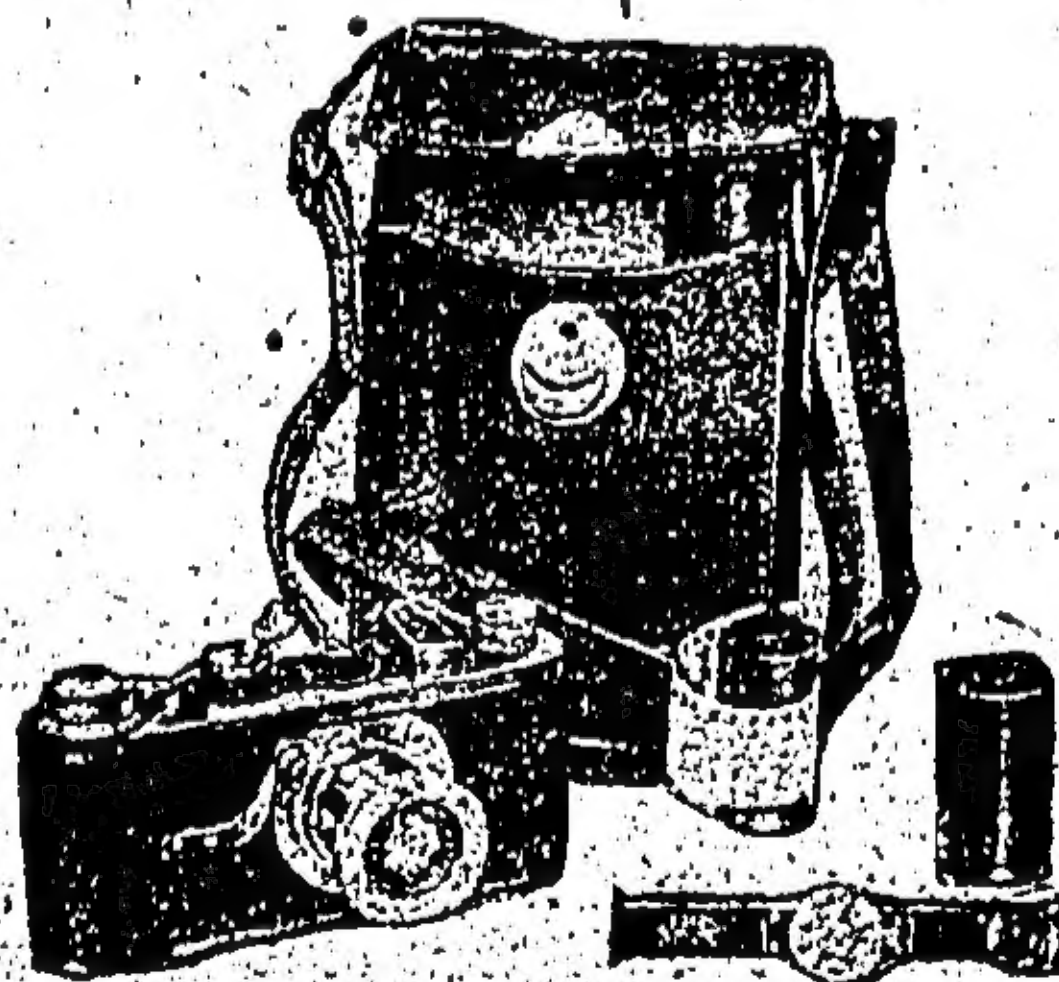
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Hong Kong, Tuesday, Dec. 30, 1930.

CHILD WELFARE.

Judged by its annual report, which was published in our news columns on Saturday last, the Society for the Protection of Children has more than justified the expectations of the founders. Its creation, it may be remembered, was the subject of some ill-founded criticism by members of the Anti-Mul-Tsai Society two months ago. "Without the least intention of being flippant or cynical," it was asserted that so far as there was a difference between the Anti-Mul-Tsai Society and the Child Welfare Society, "it was a difference in thoroughness." Said the spokesman of the Anti-Mul-Tsai Society regarding the Child Welfare Society: "We are heartily glad of its coming into existence during the past year, but we would like to see it live up more to the idea of being the champion of the child, as it sets out to be. Instead of having just one young lady fulfilling the duty of an inspector, there should be at least a dozen or more officers (men and women) selected and trained because of their special aptitude for the posts they have to fill." At the time we stated that the Child Welfare Society need not "blush crimson with deepest shame" because it has only one lady inspector—and a young one at that—as was very justly emphasised. There is work, and plenty of it, ahead of the Child Welfare Society, but it is only in its infancy. It cannot work wonders within its first year of existence. It cannot pre-

pare to carry out the ideal of the champion of the child after barely twelve months of existence. Not yet is it time to wax eloquent in public over "the glistening tear in a neglected child's eye"—first things must come first. Its work is not work that seeks any gallery applause. Unobtrusiveness must be the underlying principle; but that need not invite criticism (neither "flippant nor cynical") as to its not living up to its ideal; or a suggestion as to how many inspectors it ought to engage. Another rejoinder, equally emphatic, is the first annual report of the Child Welfare Society, (or, to give it its official name, the Society for the Protection of Children) wherein it is stated that the Committee at first experienced some difficulty in obtaining the services of a person with the requisite qualifications for an Inspector, but in August appointed on probation Miss Setto Wai Sheung, B.A., Gining College, Nanking, who had made a particular study of sociological matters, including child welfare. The Committee has prepared for distribution among the general public leaflets stating the aims and methods of the Society, the things which constitute offences against children according to the laws of the Colony, and what should be done by any member of the public in order to invoke the Society's aid on behalf of any child. The District Watch Committee has kindly allowed the District Watchmen to make a house to house distribution of these leaflets. It is anticipated that as the result of the publicity thus obtained there will be a great increase in the number of cases reported and that it will be necessary in the near future to engage the services of an additional Inspector. If the foregoing remarks be an incomplete rejoinder to criticism (neither "flippant nor cynical") there is the record of cases investigated between August 1 and November 14, and there are the Inspector's notes in the plaints investigated, which were published along with the annual report in this paper on Saturday last. To repeat in part what we stated two months ago, the Society for the Protection of Children may lack soap box orators to proclaim its good deeds to the world, but that need not suggest that it is virtually still-born or doomed to increase the record of infant mortality. Abolish the mul-tsal system by all means, but that will not mean the abolition of slavery and ill-treatment of children of all races in our midst. Instead of

in the Child Welfare Society's eye, the cause of the "glistening tear in a neglected child's eye" would be better served by other and more practical ways that should be obvious to all but the purblind. May be the neither "flippant nor cynical" critics of the Society will attend the annual meeting to-day and personally point out how the Society should be run and where the funds are to come from to ensure that "thoroughness" so boastfully claimed in public for the Anti-Mul-Tsai Society!

News in Brief.

Normal working for telegrams for Shanghai and beyond has been re-established.

Reclamation work has started off Jubilee Street in connection with the proposed vehicular ferry scheme.

Among the New Year festivities will be a dance at the Craigmower Cricket Club to-morrow night given by the President to all members.

The theft of a Tientsin carpet, valued at \$26, from the back of his residence, has been notified to the Police by Mr. N. Drummond, of 2 Quarry Point.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended December 13 amounted to 180,709 tons, and the sales to 105,772 tons.

Mr. G. T. Thach arrived here by the s.s. President Cleveland to join the staff of the National City Bank of New York. He is accompanied by his mother.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Ernst Richard Alexander Zimmermann, of Jordan House, Kowloon, to Mary Bernice Ahwee, of Carpe Diem, Kowloon City.

For unlawfully preparing opium at No. 96, Woonung Street, on December 29, Tse Luk was fined \$100, or two months' imprisonment at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Mr. George Hagg, manager of the Shanghai branch of the National City Bank of New York, and Mr. P. A. Cox, assistant Oriental manager of the C.P.R., Shanghai, arrived here by the s.s. Empress of Russia.

Mr. Alexander Clark, Divisional Inspector at Central Station, who has been discharging the duties of Chief Inspector in the absence of Mr. P. Grant, who is on short leave, is going to Yamat this week on transfer.

Mr. C. H. Hoare, of Messrs Lane, Crawford, has reported to the Police the loss of his Buick motor car which he parked in Runney Street, next the World Theatre, between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on December 28.

Making use of the well-known "bank note trick" a Chinese relieved a waitress of the Tung Nam Restaurant, Leichikok Road, of jewellery to the value of \$76. The incident happened at 2.30 p.m. yesterday whilst the victim was on her way home.

Mrs. F. Hill was yesterday fined \$10 by Mr. Butters in the Kowloon Court for driving a car without a driver's licence. Mr. H. Huhrt was also fined \$10 for having been in charge of the car and allowing it to be driven by an unlicensed driver.

Mr. V. du Bus de Warnaffe, of No. 9, Peak Mansions, appeared before Mr. Butters at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, charged with driving a private car in a dangerous manner in Chatham Road on December 17. He denied the charge. He was discharged with a caution.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday afternoon, the licensee of the Mow Yuen Chinese wine shop, 12, Gilles Avenue, Hok Un Kai, was charged with the possession of 59 jars containing 236 gallons of Chinese spirits on which duty had not been paid. The spirit was found on a sampan at the Praya West, and there was a pass purporting to cover the delivery of the jars from the Mow Yuen shop to the Hong Yue Yuen shop, 367, Queen's Road West. After some evidence had been taken, the case was adjourned until Saturday.

According to figures prepared by the Merchants Exchange of Vancouver, Western Canada, has been supplying the South American Republic of Colombia with about 20,000 tons of grain each year for the past five years. The largest cargo of wheat ever shipped from Vancouver left for Shanghai the other day, carrying more than 450,000 bushels.

SIR B. ZAHAROFF FOR LONDON.

Man with a Thousand Secrets.

The mystery man of the world, the richest man outside America, a man who has swayed Governments, who hates any form of publicity, is going to London.

Sir Basil Zaharoff is now eighty years old, but he retains his old stinging and there are those who wonder why he is going to London. A few years ago his sudden appearance in one of the capitals of Europe meant that something was afoot. He is a man with a thousand secrets.

His origin is uncertain. He is always "disappearing." He is said to be worth twenty million pounds. He has owned Monte Carlo, but does not gamble. He married, after waiting for her for twenty years, a wife who died within two years.

Order of the Bath. Sir Basil Zaharoff's mother was Greek and his father Russian. He was educated in England and is a naturalised French subject. A great deal of his money he made during the War in armaments.

Not the least of the mysteries about him is his G.C.B., of which there are only twenty-one in existence, awarded at the recommendation of Mr. Lloyd George "for services rendered." What were these services? He has also one of the seventeen grand crosses to the Legion d'Honneur.

He lives in Paris near the Place de l'Etoile, and his hatred of publicity is such that nobody ever stays with him. He has friends; the King and Queen take tea with him when they are in Paris; the Queen of Roumania visits him; Lloyd George, Poincare, Curzon, Wilson, would lunch with him at the time of the Peace Conference.

Pride in Flowers. Outside his house there are marvellous window-boxes full of flowers covered with glass. During the threatened May Day demonstrations this year Sir Basil returned home from his constitutional to find his servants removing the flowers. "Why are you doing that?" he asked. They explained that they feared the glass would be smashed in the riots. "Leave the flowers," he said. "They are the pride of the quarter. They shall not be deprived of them."

When the procession passed his house the demonstrators cheered. He is inundated with begging letters. And he has a special card printed in answer. It reads: Sir Basil Zaharoff, n'ayant pas de voix, ne peut pas chanter. (Having no voice, is unable to sing.) He recently burned his diaries, in which he had kept the happenings of each day and his comments: in the presence of six secretaries he consigned them to the fire. A French newspaper had offered a thousand pounds for one single page of the diaries.

FUNERAL ORATIONS.

LANGUAGE WHICH IS TOO LAUDATORY.

The use of extravagant language in orations and hymns at funerals is criticised by the Rev. C. E. Harris, vicar of St. John's, Rathwick, Bath. Writing in his parish magazine, Mr. Harris says:—

"One cannot but be conscious, in reading accounts of some funeral, that there must be a great deal of wrong thinking on this subject. Hymns are sung and orations delivered which, in their language, would appear to identify the departed relative or friend with the very chiefest of saints, when, very often, his known and remembered actions would entirely fail to endorse such a verdict."

"We know that, with God, all things are possible, and that He can refuse to reward us after iniquities. In the Litany we pray to that effect. "It is a right and proper thing, too, to exercise, always, the virtue of hope, along with faith and love. But, above all things, let us remember the awful purity and majesty of God, and realise how much our dear departed need the help of our prayers that they may be purified from all the stain of sin and be perfected in blessedness."

"COME ON AUSTRALIA."

Lord Stonehaven's Farewell Message.

Lord Stonehaven, the retiring Governor-General, ended a broadcast farewell message to Australia by declaring:—"Come on, Australia! Come on, with your Hinklers, Bradmans, and Kingstons-Smiths, and show the world what Australia can do as you have done so often before."

EXPLORER DIES PENNILESS.

Member of 2 Antarctic Expeditions.

Wellington, N.Z., Oct. 31. Harry McNeish, member of two Antarctic expeditions, with Captain Scott and Sir Ernest Shackleton, died penniless here recently at the age of 64.

McNeish was a member of the Scott expedition which visited the Antarctic in 1901. In 1914 he went with the Shackleton expedition aboard the Endurance to the Antarctic.

He was one of five volunteers who accompanied Shackleton in a small boat from Elephant Island in order to bring aid to 22 members of the crew of the Endurance left on the island after their vessels had been crushed by the ice.

The trip of Sir Ernest Shackleton, and his five men of which McNeish was one, from Elephant Island to South Georgia, was one of the most daring undertakings of Antarctic exploration. Sir Ernest planned to cross the Antarctic continent from the Weddell Sea to Ross Sea by way of the South Pole. Aboard the Endurance he entered the ice pack in December, 1914. The ship was beset by ice on January 18 and drifted northward. The terrific ice pressure crushed her and she was abandoned on October 24. The 20 men of the expedition camped on the ice floe, drifting northward until April 1916. On April 8 the floe split to pieces and the men launched three small boats. Six days later, after many hardships, they landed on Elephant Island.

On April 24, Shackleton and his five men set out in one of the ship's boats to bring aid. Snowstorms and gales swept them day after day and after much suffering they sighted the cliffs of the west coast of South Georgia on the fourteenth day. They still could not reach land but finally they were able to reach the head of King Haakon Bay on May 19. McNeish, and one other man were unable to travel further and Shackleton with his two remaining men marched across the island of South Georgia reaching a whaling station.

After three unsuccessful attempts to return to Elephant Island through the ice, floss Shackleton succeeded in rescuing all his men on August 30, 1916, using the Chilean Trawler Yelcho.

\$250,000 BUILDING.

IMPOSING STRUCTURE ADDED TO PENANG CONVENT.

Penang, Dec. 1. Mr. E. W. C. Gilman, the Resident Councillor, opened the new Convent building which has been put up at a cost of \$250,000.

The new building, which stands on the right of the main entrance to the Convent, is an imposing structure and occupies an area of 10,000 square feet.

Arrangements were made to receive 700 visitors; most of them being present, including Dr. R. O. Winstedt, who had travelled from Singapore especially.

Government has contributed half the cost of the building, and local subscribers have raised \$22,000.

Mr. Gilman, in his speech, said he wondered how many visitors there were who had any idea of the extent of the work carried on within those walls. He confessed that a fortnight ago when he was first conducted round by the Reverend Mother over this beehive he was filled with surprise and humble admiration at the great work that was being carried on so unobtrusively in their midst by the charitable Sisters of the holy Infant Jesus.

Besides the orphanage of 550 girls there were about 1,200 girls pupils in the school, which, he could well believe, was one of the best schools in Malaya.

Dr. Winstedt said that even in distant Singapore they had followed the anxieties and worries of the Reverend Mother and her staff, anxieties and worries which were inevitable before a building like that could be completed—Straits Times.

Ten Years Ago.

(From the "China Mail" of December 30, 1920.)

To-day's dollar is worth 3/2 3/4

Much sympathy will be felt for Mr. A. Findlay Smith, proprietor of the Peak Hotel, a Hong Kong resident of over 50 years' standing, who has received news of the death of his wife at No. 23, Hyde Park Place, London. Mrs. Findlay Smith, who resided lately at Home, last visited Hong Kong during the War, and remained here until after its conclusion.

DIRTIEST PLACE IN ENGLAND.

Newcastle Keeps Up Its Reputation.

Newcastle-on-Tyne, according to the latest report on the investigation of Air Pollution, published by the Stationery Office, is living up to its reputation, and is still England's dirtiest city or town. Records from nearly a hundred gauges in thirty-two different towns have been analysed, with a view to discovering the cause of various forms of impurities in the air. Liverpool comes next after Newcastle, while London is equal seventh with Birmingham out of the total of thirty-two.

Some of the records present strange contrasts, the most striking of which is to be found at Leicester, where the atmosphere is five times more polluted in one district than in another. The whole of the London area on the other hand appears to suffer from a fairly equitable distribution of impurity. The grounds of Lambeth Palace enjoy the least contaminated air, followed closely by Victoria Park and Wandsworth Common.

Residents in Kensington and in the neighbourhood of Ravenscourt Park will be surprised to learn that the air which they breathe is almost the purest to be found in the whole of London, and that it contains large quantities of sulphur and ammonia.

A New Impurity. Experimental work carried on during the past year has revealed a fresh enemy to public health in the form of sulphur trioxide. This appears to have caused the authorities considerable trouble on account of its irregular habits.

"Sulphur trioxide," the report states, "is not a normal constituent of the atmosphere; it appears only during fog." The investigators



'Erb: "Efer get chilblains"
'Orace: "No, too much trouble to scratch them."
Smith's Weekly, Sydney.

however, nothing daunted, conclude on an optimistic note: "It is hoped... to produce a method which will be suitable for the routine determination of the amount of sulphur in the atmosphere."

The following is a list of the thirteen cities and towns where the largest solid deposits from the air have been recorded. The figures represent the mean monthly deposits in metric tons per hundred square kilometres:

Newcastle-on-Tyne (City Road)	3,188
Liverpool	2,119
St. Helens	1,881
Rochdale (Electricity Works)	1,526
Huddersfield (Delgation)	1,458
Rotherham	1,292
London (Golden Lane)	1,290
Birmingham (Central)	1,290
Leicester (Millon Street)	1,277
Kingston-upon-Hull	1,148
Loughborough College	1,095
Leeds (Park Square)	1,085
Glasgow (Alexandra Park)	1,007

SANSKRIT SCHOLAR.

DEATH OF FAMOUS OXFORD PROFESSOR.

Rugby, Yesterday. The death occurred yesterday of Professor Macdonell, the great Sanskrit scholar and Emeritus Professor of Sanskrit at the University of Oxford. He was seventy-six years old—British Wireless Service.

Professor Arthur Anthony Macdonell, M.A., Ph.D., was born in 1854, in Scotland, and was educated in Germany and at Oxford. He rapidly became an internationally known scholar with honours from the principal German, British and Indian seats of learning. His publications on Sanskrit studies have been many, all of them standard textbooks.

FALSE RUMOURS.

U.S. TRUST CO. OFFERS \$2,000 REWARD.

Philadelphia, Yesterday. The Aldine Trust Company, with resources of \$1,500,000, closed this morning. The company is offering a \$2,000 reward for the conviction of any persons who have been circulating false rumours regarding the position of the company.

EX-POLICE RESERVIST AS WITNESS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Answering another question, witness said that no statement was taken from him on September 19, because he was busy. He gave a statement later.

"Thanks of the Colony!" Mr. Jenkin: I suppose that after you had spoken about the promissory note, on September 19, Inspector Reynold tendered you the thanks of the Colony, and you left!

His Lordship objected to the reference to the "thanks of the Colony," and Mr. Jenkin withdrew.

Witness said that he went to the station again some days later to help the Police arrest No. 1's third son at Yaumati. No statement was taken from him on this occasion also. He went up, a third time three or four days later, at the request of the Police, and then gave his statement.

Mr. Jenkin: As a trained Police Reservist the conversation you had with No. 1 about insurance and arson left a lasting impression on you?—No. 1 regarded it as casual talk.

You were not struck by the sinister connection between insurance and arson?—No.

Casual Talk. I put it to you that if on the first occasion you went to the Police Station, instead of talking about the promissory note, you had talked about this conversation with No. 1, it would have been more useful to the Police?—I regarded it as casual talk and so did not attach much importance to it. My idea was to collect the money due on the promissory note of which I was a witness.

Pressed about the insurance and arson conversation, witness said that on the first occasion that he went up to the Police Station it was out of his mind. Neither did he recollect it on the second occasion.

Mr. Jenkin: When did it come back to you?—While I was giving my statement to the Inspector. The case is proceeding.

RUM RUNNER.

BRITISH SHIP CAPTURED BY COASTGUARDS.

New London, Conn., Yesterday. The motor-ship Eleanor Joan, of Nova Scotia, a sister ship of the Audrey B (captured on Christmas Day) has been captured by coastguards.

The vessel is alleged to have had \$170,000 worth of liquor aboard. The crew of eleven have been taken to New York for trial—Reuters American Service.

NEED OF SACRIFICE.

EMPIRE FACING A SERIOUS ORDEAL.

Rugby, Yesterday. The need for sacrifice in the face of one of the most serious ordeals with which the Empire has ever been faced, was emphasised in a sermon last night by the Archbishop of Canterbury—British Wireless Service.

FAMOUS TOWN-PLANNER.

Death at Age of 67 of M. Forestier.

The death is reported from San Remo of M. Forestier, formerly conservator of the Bois de Boulogne.

M. Forestier, who was 67 years of age, was an ardent bicyclist in the early days of the wheel, and gave permission for an annual cycle race by actors and actresses. This, for years, drew all Paris, and such famous stage artists as Coquelin and Sarah Bernhardt presided over it. Felix Faure, during his Presidency of the Republic, used to ride out regularly for this event.

M. Forestier was a great student of the science of town planning. The streets and gardens of the Champs de Mars were laid out according to his ideas, and he had a grand project for two huge avenues, bisecting Paris, west to east, from the Bois de Boulogne to the Bois de Vincennes, and north to south, from Montmartre to Montrogue. In these days of traffic congestion, Forestier's avenues would have incalculable value.

It was not the cost but the short-sightedness of the city authorities that prevented the scheme from being executed. Forestier, in distrust, devoted himself to work abroad and it is said that the magnificent laying out of Buenos Aires and of modern Barcelona is largely due to his conceptions.

"WETS" FIRE THEIR FIRST GUN.

Resolution Introduced for a Referendum.

Washington, Dec. 1. With the opening of the final session of the 71st congress here today the "wets" fired the first gun in the battle over prohibition. Representative Clarence J. McLeod, Republican of Michigan, with the session still at the stage of formalities, introduced a resolution providing for a national referendum on the "wet" versus "dry" issue. Representative McLeod's resolution also provides for the summoning of a national convention to amend the American constitution.

According to the resolution introduced by Representative McLeod there should be enacted a new amendment to the constitution to replace the 18th amendment. It would permit the sale of liquor and govern the conditions under which alcoholic beverages could be sold and consumed.

Representative McLeod's proposals differ from those which would repeal the 18th amendment and the Volstead Act. They differ, also, from the proposals which would modify the existing prohibition laws to permit of general consumption of light wines and beer.—United Press.

CLARA BUTT.

TREAT FOR LOCAL LOVERS OF MUSIC.

It has been said and not without reason, that more than any artist within living memory, the famous British contralto, Clara Butt, has that subtle gift of establishing between herself and her audience a bond of sympathy so complete as to hold them in thrall from the moment she appears till her last song is over—and long afterward.

In this sense she is something more than a singer, something more than the golden-voiced contralto, whose range extends from somewhere in the soprano region down to baritone depths. In her, over and above these rare gifts of voice, are united the highest art of the dramatist and the actor combined, creating the spiritual force that her voice and her dominating personality serve but to provide with outward and visible form.

Of such powers as these it is indeed difficult to write adequately when the late Sir Herbert Tree has said: "She stands beyond our powers of criticism or definition. There is Nature, there is Art, and these is Clara Butt." And from the moment of her first appearance one senses the realisation of this power in the changed atmosphere of the whole audience. There is an air of tense expectation, which gives place to a joy that cannot be satiated as the amazing range and poetic power of her voice finds expression in the first notes of her opening song.

Dame Clara Butt and Mr. Kennerley Rummford will arrive here about a fortnight hence and will give two concerts, possibly on January 17 and 19.

ARTIST ROBBED.

MAN WHO PAINTED SIAM'S ROYAL FAMILY.

Mr. Oswald Birley, the artist, who only recently returned to England from Siam, where he went to paint the Royal Family, and who has just done the latest portrait of King George in yachting clothes, has recently had an experience of burglars and a lucky recovery of stolen jewellery.

Among the jewellery was a pendant with a woman's face painted on it. A West End pawnbroker gave \$2 on deposit on it. Soon afterwards a police officer came to the pawnshop with a sketch of the pendant.

The sketch had been done by Mr. Birley, to whom the jewellery belonged, and he had painted a picture of his wife in the pendant. Once the pendant was so certainly identified all the remaining jewellery was recovered.

"GIRL IN TRANCE."

DEATH AFTER 20 MONTHS IN STATE OF COMA.

The death has occurred of Miss Doris Hinton, of Chilwell, Notts, who was known as the "Girl in a Trance."

While listening to a wireless programme at her home one night in October, 1925, she lapsed into a state of coma, and remained in that condition for 20 months, during which she was devoid of all feeling and could not speak, although she could see and hear. For some time she had to be artificially fed.

An improvement at the end of 20 months was followed by a relapse from which she never recovered.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel.

To-night—Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels.

To-morrow—New Year's Eve Carnivals at Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels (Fancy Dress Ball).

To-morrow—New Year's Eve Dance at Craigengower Cricket Club.

To-morrow—Carnival and Exhibition dances at Hotel Cecil.

Thursday—Special Tea Dances at Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels.

Entertainments.

To-day—Queen's Theatre.

To-day—Central Theatre.

To-day—World Theatre.

To-day—Star Theatre.

To-day—Majestic Theatre.

To-day—Interference.

Home Malls.

Thursday—Inward from Europe via Suez (Comorin); Outward for Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia (Tatsuta Maru), 8.30 a.m.

Meetings.

To-day—Annual meeting of the Society for Protection of Children, City Hall, 5.15 p.m.

January 14—Meeting of Graduates in the Great Hall of the University, 5.15 p.m.

Sports.

See Diary on page 9.

Lammert's Auction.

Saturday—At 7, Prat Buildings, (Middle floor), Kowloon household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

OUT OF WORK.

TWENTY MILLION THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

(By Oliver Bell).

In Europe there are some six and a half million people unemployed. The Prime Minister in the House of Commons the other day said that if the statistics of the United States of America were compiled on the same basis as those of Great Britain, they would show that in America there were between ten and twelve millions with no work to do. Japan as long ago as last June estimated that there were nearly half a million workless there. No figures are available for other countries in the Far East like China and India, both of whom support large industrial populations. Nor are any figures available for South America where unemployment must be on the increase because of the political upheavals that have taken place within the last few months.

A very conservative estimate of world unemployment is twenty millions. The average worker has two dependants. So there are sixty millions of people on short commons owing to the impossibility of obtaining work.

The International Labour Office of the League of Nations is the source from which these figures are drawn. There is no need to doubt their accuracy for the Office has always noted as a reliable world clearing house of information, a function that it possesses which is frequently overlooked. In the "Note of the Week" in a recent number of its weekly periodical, it is said that unemployment is steadily becoming more acute in almost every country in the world. Practically everywhere it is now the dominant industrial and social problem and is demanding the anxious attention of Governments and peoples.

A fact which the researchers of the International Labour Office has brought out, is that a fall in wholesale prices always increases unemployment. It would seem that the monetary factor is of particular importance among the causes of the crisis. The article closes on a slightly less depressed note than that on which it started. "While it would be unwise to attempt any forecast, it may be added that certain signs, such for instance as the fact that the United States price level is no longer falling or is falling only very slightly, suggest that the depression is nearing its lowest point; but unhappily there are hardly any signs yet of a recovery."

The executive and finance committee of the World's Grain Exhibition and Conference has decided to hold a boys' and girls' competition at the big international show and plans for this are now being worked out with the co-operation of the different provincial Departments of Agriculture and other organisations interested in boys' and girls' work.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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ON THURSDAY, the 1st January, 1931, All Departments will be CLOSED.

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BATTALION'S PENITENCE.

Murder of a French Captain.

Trinidad, Oct. 23.

With the arrival here of the French liner Blaska comes the news of the assassination of the captain of a Senegalese battalion stationed at Devil's Island by a fanatic of the battalion on October 15.

The dead officer's widow is a passenger by the French liner, which is also conveying the body to Europe for interment. From her it is learnt that on the eve of the captain's departure on furlough the assassin said to her: "The captain is so loved by the regiment that it is impossible he should leave us." There were touching scenes when the captain summoned his company to say farewell. While he was chatting with the troops, many of whom were in tears, the fanatic struck him in the neck with a stiletto. The captain fell dead, and immediately two gendarmes arrested the assassin, who was promptly court-martialled and shot.

As a token of their grief the entire battalion voluntarily arranged a "three days' penitential" fast, and resolved that one of their number should commit suicide as the Blaska left with the captain's body. The chosen volunteer threw himself into the Cayenne River, but was taken out in a state of collapse. The conduct of the troops is attributed to their fear that the captain's successor might not be so well beloved.

TRAGIC BREAKFAST WAIT.

London, Nov. 1.

The barrister, Mr. Douglas Henry Correll, who was killed at Stag Lane Aerodrome this morning, was in the habit of flying his own Moth plane to spend week-ends with his family at his country house in Suffolk.

He delayed his start to-day owing to fog, and realising that the light was too bad, tried to land, struck a fence, and was killed by burning in his machine.

His wife and children were actually waiting for him to join them at breakfast time.

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BATSMEN.Army Total Passed by
Weak Batting Side.

CONSISTENT BATTING.

[Playing on the H.K.C.C. ground
yesterday the Royal Navy let the
Army by 31 runs on the first in-
nings of a two days' match.]Taking first use of the
wicket in their second match
of the triangular tournament,
the Army completed a total
of 185 runs. Lt. A. H. Mus-
son was top scorer with an un-
defeated innings of 40 to his credit.
Mr. J. C. Lyal, of the Kowloon
Cricket Club, captured 4 wickets
for 55 runs.Early reverses did not have
effect on the Naval side,
and, with Glass and Jowitt
together they passed the mili-
tary total, and eventually gain-
ed a lead of 31 runs on the first
innings. Sig. Williams followed up
his bowling feat against the Club
by taking 5 wickets for 65 runs.The match will be continued to-
day.

Army—1st Innings.			
Lieut. R. V. Dewar Durie, c	22		
Edwards, b Lyal	17		
Capt. N. A. Thorp, lb.w., b Jowitt	17		
Lieut. J. Haslewood, b Baker	20		
Lieut. A. H. Musson, not out	40		
Sig. J. Williams, lb.w., b Lyal	14		
Capt. R. G. Lockner, b Baker	7		
L/Cpl. F. W. Fry, lb.w., b Lyal	2		
Major R. M. Airey, lb.w., b	2		
Baker	26		
Lieut. M. H. F. Waring, b	1		
Jowitt	1		
Cpl. W. T. Davies, c Nash, b	7		
Glass	1		
Pte. R. Salmon, c Edwards, b	10		
Lyal	10		
Extras	10		
Total	185		

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Jowitt	12	0	42	2
Moseley	2	0	22	0
Lyal	15	3	55	4
Baker	11	0	33	3
Glass	3	0	9	1
Aylmer	2	0	9	1
Edwards	1	0	5	0

Navy—1st Innings.			
Lt.-Comdr. Squance, b Fry	3		
A.B. Nash, b Williams	4		
Sub-Lt. F. W. G. Edwards, c	12		
Durie, b Williams	12		
Lt. C. L. Glass, c and b Musson	23		
Mid. J. H. Barrett, c and b Durie	23		
Lt.-Comdr. Bramton, c Lockner, b	22		
Durie	22		
Sub-Lt. Moseley, c Durie, b	1		
Musson	1		
Mid. Jowitt, not out	52		
J. C. Lyal, b Williams	18		
Comdr. E. A. Aylmer, b Williams	7		
A.B. Baker, c Musson, b Williams	12		
Extras	8		
Total	216		

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fry	14	1	41	1
Williams	16	3	53	5
Thorp	6	2	29	0
Musson	10	1	33	2
Durie	7	0	45	2

ARMY KNOCK OFF ARREARS
WITHOUT LOSS.FOUR WICKETS FALL AND 85
RUNS AHEAD.Play did not commence this
morning until 11.15 a.m. as a
token of respect to the memory of
the late Rev. W. F. Cresthwaite,
C.F.Commencing their second in-
nings 31 runs in arrears this morn-
ing the Army soon knocked off the
runs, but with only 7 runs to the
good Lt. Dewar-Durie was unfor-
tunate to put one up to Baker of
Jowitt. Capt. Thorp and Lt.
Haslewood carried the score to 61
before the former stepped in front
of a straight one from Lyal
61—2—25. Joined by Lt. Musson,
Haslewood played steadily but
with his score at 24 he edged a
delivery from Glass into the slips
where Lyal brought off a good
catch 81-3-24.At the same total both Musson
and Sig Williams were fortunate to
survive two consecutive deliveries.
The wicket-keeper made a valiant
effort to catch Musson off the last
ball of Glass over which struck the
bat high up, though he just re-
ached the ball he failed to hold it. The
first ball of Lyal's over was on the
leg side and Williams went out to
meet it, missed it, and only scram-
bled home in time.At 116 Williams gave Jowitt a
hard caught and bowled and the
luncheon interval was then taken.
Musson was playing delightful
cricket and looks good for a lot of
runs in this innings. At the lun-
cheon interval the Army held
a lead of 85 runs with six wickets
in hand.

Scores.

Army—2nd Innings.			
Lieut. R. V. Dewar-Durie, c	28		
Baker, b Jowitt	23		
Capt. N. A. Thorp, lb.w., b Lyal	25		
Lieut. J. Haslewood, c Lyal, b	25		
Glass	24		
Lieut. A. H. Musson, not out	24		
Sig. J. Williams, c and b Jowitt	18		
Extras	2		
Total (for 4 wks.)	115		

THE SOUTH AFRICAN
TEST TEAM.Two Changes made in
Victorious Side.

H. G. DEANE CAPTAIN.

The South African team for the
second Test match at Capetown
reveals two changes from the vic-
torious eleven at Johannesburg.
H. G. Deane comes back into his
own and displaces E. P. Nupen in
the captaincy, and causes the ex-
clusion of S. Curnow. The other
newcomer, A. J. Bell, displaces
Viljoen, and should greatly help
the bowling strength. The team
selected is as follows:—

H. G. Deane (Transvaal)	
(Captain),	
H. W. Taylor (Transvaal),	
I. J. Siedle (Natal),	
B. Mitchell (Transvaal),	
R. H. Catterall (Transvaal),	
X. Balaskas (Griqualand West),	
H. B. Cameron (Western Pro-	
vince),	
Q. McMillan (Transvaal),	
E. P. Nupen (Transvaal),	
C. L. Vincent (Transvaal),	
A. J. Bell (Western Province).	

—Reuter.

BRADMAN TOO GOOD
FOR £10 A WEEK.Little Chance of Being
an English Professional.

HIS AMATEURISM.

There were rumours long before
the Australian cricket team left for
home that certain of them had been
asked to return and play for coun-
ties and leagues in this country.
The names most frequently men-
tioned were those of Don Bradman,
Archie Jackson, Alan Fairfax, and
Stanley McCabe. I questioned
Bradman about these rumours, and
also about the other that he intend-
ed to go to Oxford University, but
he denied that there was any truth
in the assertions, writes Trevor
Wignall in the "Daily Express."This was not surprising, for
Clause 27 in the remarkable docu-
ment which was officially described
as the "Cricket Contract," and was
signed by all the Australians, reads
as follows: "Each and every player
hereby specifically undertakes and
agrees with the Board of Control
that he will not return to England
within two years from the comple-
tion of the official tour for the pur-
poses of playing cricket." Many
Australian newspapers this week,
however, have said definitely that
offers were made, the idea, accord-
ing to them, being that those
Australians who accepted should
play for Lancashire League clubs
until such time as they were qual-
ified for the county. This, it will
be recalled, was done by McDonald,
the fast bowler, but not many hours
had elapsed after the story was
cabled across before Mr. Harry
Rylands, on behalf of the Lancashire
Cricket Club, denied the truth of it.
£10 Too Little.He added—and this is a point
that should be more widely known
—that five years ago Lancashire
decided that only men born in the
county were eligible to be played,
and that since that time no one save
Lancashire-born players had been
signed on. The wages suggested,
if the reports are to be credited,
were £10 per week, but in addition
the employment of some kind was to
be found. All I can say in this con-
nection is that if any one had the
nerve to propose a weekly salary of
£10 to Bradman he must have been
met with the heartiest of hearty
laughs. The young man from
Bowral, who in recent days has
caused severe dissensions in his
own land, has ideas that do not
begin to correspond with rewards
of this kind, and it may have been
noticed that on several occasions
since he returned home he has been
presented with gifts that represent
about ten weeks' pay.Amateur or Not?
I feel certain in my own mind
that we will never see Bradman in
an English team as a professional.
He may turn journalist, or take up
a business career, but it is the
safest bet in the world that he will
never play cricket for £10 per week.
Once again I would like to know
where his amateurism—or, for that
matter, that of other players—
comes in when he can accept money
from any one who cares to proffer
it. He is not the first amateur
cricketer to be recognised in this
way, but the whole matter has now
become such a screaming farce that
it is difficult to write about it with
seriousness. But there must be
dozens of professionals in England
whose poor mouths must be sore
from watering.COMMENTS ON LAST
RUGBY MATCH.The Superiority of the
Rest Too Obvious.

POOR MARKING.

[By "Serum Hall"]

The match between England and
The Rest last Saturday was one
of the best of the season. There
was that extra keenness which is
brought out by every representa-
tive match. No quarter was asked
and none expected, and conse-
quently a thrilling struggle for
supremacy was witnessed.The marking of the three-quar-
ters was good, although Lt.
Galletley, who was proving him-
self a most dangerous player on
the wing, did not receive every at-
tention he should have got.
Whenever the ball went out to
Lt. Hamilton it was passed to ad-
vantage to Galletley, who invari-
ably made a touch down. This
was due to the fact that the Eng-
land three-quarters were going
more for the ball than their men.
The player in possession is always
dangerous, but he does not re-
quire the attention of two or three
defenders—he has his opposite
number, whose job it is to bring
him down. Several times I notice

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

CRICKET—To-day—Army v.
Navy, H.K.C.C. Ground.
New Year's Day—H.K.C.C. v.
Navy; University, Past v. Pre-
sents.Saturday—Division I.—Civil
Service v. Indian R.C. (L); Hong
Kong C.C. v. Navy (F); Division
II.—Recreo v. Hong Kong C.C.
(L); Indian R.C. v. Civil Service
(L); Police v. Kowloon C.C. (F);
R.A.S.C. v. Diocesan Boys' School
(F).GOLF—Wednesday to Friday—
R.H.K.G.C. New Year's Meeting.
FANLING HUNT—Wednesday
—Kennels, 3.15 p.m.
New Year's Day—Point-to-
Point; Meet at Potts' Bungalow,
3 p.m.FOOTBALL—New Year's Day
—League v. The Services (Charity
Match).Saturday—First Division—
Royal Artillery v. Navy; Chi-
nese Athletic v. Club; Police v.
Argylls; Recreio v. South China;
Kowloon v. St. Joseph's; Second
Division—Navy v. Argylls; Bor-
derers v. St. Joseph's; University
v. Club; Eastern v. Chinese Ath-
letic; Recreio v. South China;
Kowloon v. Royal Artillery; Third
Division—Borderers v. R.A.S.C.;
Fukien v. Royal Engineers;
R.A.O.C. v. South China; Royal
Air Force v. Chinese Athletic.BOXING—Saturday—Tournam-
ent, City Hall, 9 p.m.FENCING—Monday—Fencing
Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 8.45
p.m.TENNIS—January 11—U.S.R.C.
Tournament—First Rounds Close.January 19—U.S.R.C. Tournam-
ent—Second Rounds Close.RACING—January 18—Fan-
ling Hunt Club's Steeplechase
Meeting.January 15—Fanling Hunt
Club's Steeplechase Meeting.ATHLETICS—March 15 and 16
—Hong Kong v. Canton Univer-
sities.ed Allera and Hamilton draw the
defence and leave the path to the
line open for their wing three-
quarters. Galletley is too good a
man to allow any such opportu-
nity to go astray.

Centre "Threes."

Thus England were beaten by
the strategic movements of the
Rest's centre three-quarters. At
forward I preferred the Rest
pack. They were quicker down in
the tight scrums and were one
and all extraordinarily versatile
in the loose. The line opens pro-
ved to be very one-sided—the Rest
could either pass to their scrum-
half or place the ball down in the
loose and heel it back. This was
due to the England forwards
neglecting that important factor—
jumping for the ball in every line
out. Should the ball be thrown
well along the line, it makes it all
the more difficult for the player
to whom the ball has been thrown
to take this "pass" if there is one
line of clamouring hands.

Reckless Kicking.

Another feature of the game
was the reckless kicking of the
full-backs. If a back cannot get
rid of the ball into touch he
should not attempt to do so, as
with a kick that does not find
touch, almost invariably, he places
all his forwards off-side and al-
lows the opposition to find a good
touch or open up the game at
their own discretion. On Satur-
day a duel between Whitman and
Frankham lasted for a few
minutes before the latter at last
found touch. Either back could
have opened up the game, as the
majority of the players were lying
in "no man's land," but they con-
tented themselves with trying to
get the better of one another in
kicking ability.
But, taking it all round, the
game was a good one and will,
perhaps, remain the best of the
present season.DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
BOXING METHODS

AMERICAN AND BRITISH

THE BIG ADVANTAGE HELD BY
AMERICAN YOUTHS.

SCIENCE REQUIRED

[By Dave Shade.]

What I have to say may hurt a
bit. Truth often does. Anyway I
have been invited to say, from what
I have seen here, whether I think
there is any cause for England's
lack of world's boxing champions—
any cause which might be removed;
and I have to come right out with
it, says Dave Shade in a Home
paper.I have seen very little boxing
here, but I have seen some of your
training quarters and your
gymnasiums; and I say at once
that the cause is there.The contrast between facilities
for young boxers here and in my
own country is staggering to an
American. In fact I have no
hesitation in declaring that Eng-
land is not breeding the class of
boxer she should solely because the
boys are not given the chances
they deserve.

American Conditions.

If I describe the conditions in
America the point will be plain.
In New York there is a club called
the New York Athletic Club—one
of many, but the biggest of them
all. It has a gymnasium which
occupies the whole floor of a city
block, and it cost a million dollars
to equip.In that gymnasium are numerous
rings, developers, rowing machines,
a dozen hand-ball courts, a swim-
ming pool—every device for pro-
moting the health and fitness of
man.The boxing instructors are well-
paid experts. Now, any boy with
any talent and desire to fight can
go there, get fit, receive first-class
instruction, and prepare for
amateur boxing for nothing. The
only obligation on him is that he
shall wear the jersey of the New
York Athletic Club and enter in
the name of the club for his com-
petitions. Thus, for nothing, he
has the chance to reach the top
class among amateurs, and then, if
he wishes, he can enter the pro-
fessional ranks.

Big Advantage.

He has this great advantage over
your boys who turn professional:
he has been properly grounded,
from the time he draws on his first
pair of gloves, in the art of self-
defence.In other words, he serves his
apprenticeship in boxing just
as a carpenter, an account-
ant, or an architect. Who
pays? Well, it has been said that
there are as many millionaires as
there are boxers in New York. It
costs £1,000 in entrance fees to
join the New York Athletic Club.
The club can afford to patronise
boxing.Is there any boxing instructor in
this country receiving \$500 a year?
Well, I have been offered £2,000 a
year to leave the ring and instruct
at a college. I am not bragging
about it. The offer is not unusual,
and, in fact, I have not accepted it.
I am told that there is no such
club in London as the New York
Athletic Club. I am not blaming
anyone for that. Money is tight
just now in England. I am just
stating the cause. Whether it is
possible for wealthy Englishmen toput down their money in the inter-
ests of sport and form clubs of the
American type I must leave them
to consider.The impression of every Ameri-
can boxer who comes here is, I
believe, the same—that English
boxers are labouring under a great
handicap as compared with other
nations, and that if that handicap
were removed England would pro-
duce some wonderful men.Englishmen are too modest. They
do not realise that boxing skill is
their heritage. The British
straight left is still the finest and
most valuable punch in boxing—a
match-winner every time.

A Proud Boast.

It is my proud boast that it was
said of me, at a time when I was
knocking out my opponents regu-
larly, that I had the best left
hand in the United States. Every
English boy instinctively shoots
out his left, whereas boys of other
nations have to have it caned into
them that the left lead is the most
important principle of self defence.
But even the English boy's straight
left, plus his natural love of a fight,
is not nearly enough to carry him
to the top. What happens to him?As I understand it, he starts
fighting for a few shillings when he
leaves school very fit, eager for a
fight. He wins a few fights, goes
to gymnasium to prepare for more,
and just goes on until he is finished.
I have looked at some of these
gymnasiums. One here in London is
a hole in the wall, no bigger than
a room in a small house. Another
was not even properly ventilated.
The instruction was bad.In America I have my own
training camp out in the country,
with an outdoor ring. Many other
boxers are equipped in this way.
And those who have yet to make
the money to afford it can go to
one of the big clubs.

Bitter Experience.

Your boys have many things in
their favour. But they are forced
to enter the ring as professionals
without having had a proper
grounding. There are so many
things to learn—footwork, stance,
slipping, all the blows and all the
counter-blows: is it not obvious
that the young professional equip-
ped with the knowledge of self-
defence has a tremendous advantage
over the boy who has to learn these
things by bitter experience against
hardened men?The very fact that so many, like
Jimmy Wilde, Kid Lewis and Teddy
Baldock, have survived this handi-
cap and forced their way to the top
shows the ingrained talent among
your boys. But sheer boxing in-
stinct is very rare.There is an idea that the Engli-
man's straight left is laughed at in
America. What we find with many
of your boxers who come over is
that they have that straight left
and nothing more; and in many
cases the left is not properly de-
veloped. They fall back on pure
defence because they have never
been properly taught how to attack.If English boxing is backward,
don't blame the boxers. Give them
their chance.

PRINCE OF WALES.

GIVING UP HIS STUD ON
DARTMOOR.

London, Nov. 15.

The Prince of Wales is gradu-
ally giving up his hobby after hobby as
he finds the pressure of his duties
increasing.Some time ago he sold his
hunters officially because he could
no longer find the time to hunt, but
unofficially because the powers-
that-be had suggested to him that
he should take more care of his
person.Now he has still further severed
his connection with his one-time
favourite hobby—horses. He has
decided to give up his stud on
Dartmoor, where for many years
he has been a keen breeder of
hackneys, arabs and Dartmoor
ponies.He will, however, continue, on
his Duchy of Cornwall estates, to
breed the Dartmoor pony, but on
a small scale, retaining only one
stallion and a dozen mares.
The secretary of the Duchy of
Cornwall said "The Prince of
Wales, like everyone else, has

LOCAL HOCKEY.

ANOTHER K.B.S.F.P.A.
VICTORY.

ARGYLLS LOSE.

In a fast and sporting game, play-
ed at King's Park yesterday
afternoon the K.B.S.F.P.A. beat the
Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders
team by two clear goals.The first half saw much end to
end play, with the Argylls a trifle
erratic in front of goal with their
shots. The K.B.S. took the lead a
little before the interval through J.
White.On resumption, play became very
fast, with both teams striving hard
for points, but the K.B.S. managed
to get in a second goal through T.
Whitley, and maintained their lead
to the end.found that, breeding horses is no
longer a paying concern. He is
anxious that the Dartmoor pony,
however, shall not become extinct."
—United Press.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

GENERAL HOLIDAY.

On Thursday, January 1, 1931, the General Post Office and Branch Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

RADIO NOTICES

The Radio Office, where full information concerning all wireless services may be obtained at all times, is situated on the ground floor of the P. & O. Building in Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

New Year greetings are now accepted by Government Radio Office for transmission via Radio. Full particulars on application.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30.
Japan	St. Albans	
Shanghai and Amoy	Tai Yuan	
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31.		
Java and Manila	Tikembang	
Amoy and Swatow	Cremer	
Saigon	Maurice Long	
THURSDAY, JANUARY 1.		
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers, London, Dec. 4, and Parcels, Nov. 27)	Comorin	
FRIDAY, JANUARY 2.		
Japan and Shanghai	Ranchi	
London (Parcels, Nov. 20) and Straits	Helenus	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 3.		
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, Dec. 13)	President Madison	
Australia and Manila	Nellore	
SUNDAY, JANUARY 4.		
Japan	Brisbane Maru	
TUESDAY, JANUARY 6.		
Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx	
THURSDAY, JANUARY 8.		
Straits	Yasukuni Maru	
FRIDAY, JANUARY 9.		
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 20)	Empress of Jn.	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 10.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Dec. 12)	President Harrison	

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30.
Manila	Empress of Russia	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Sinkiang	3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kochow	4 p.m.
Manila	President Cleveland	4.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	Ho Sang	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31.		
Holhow and Haiphong	New Mathilde	8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tai Yuan	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Lee Sang	5 p.m.
Cebu	Jason	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. and S. America and *Europe via San Francisco	Tatsuta Maru (Due San Francisco, Jan. 22, 1931, and *Europe via Siberia.) Registration Dec. 31, 1930, 5 p.m. Letters *Jan. 1, 1931, 8.30 a.m.	
THURSDAY, JANUARY 1.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Deli Maru	8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tai Yuan	9 a.m.
Straits	Cremer	10.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 2.		
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	St. Albans (Due Brisbane, Jan. 19, 1931.) Parcels *Jan. 2, 11 a.m. Registration *12.45 p.m. Letters *1.30 p.m. Hai Ning	2 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Comorin	2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Ranchi (Due Marseilles, Jan. 30, 1931.)	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles		
K.P.O.	G.P.O.	
Parcels *Jan. 1, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels *Jan. 2, 5 p.m.	
Registration *Jan. 3, 9 a.m.	Registration *Jan. 3, 9.45 a.m.	
Letters *10 a.m.	Letters *10.30 a.m.	
Shanghai	Lee Sang	5 p.m.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 3.		
Sandakan	Hin Sang	10 a.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Brisbane	Brisbane Maru (Due Brisbane, Jan. 18, 1931.) Parcels *Jan. 3, 4 p.m. Registration *4.15 p.m. Letters *5 p.m.	
SUNDAY, JANUARY 4.		
Manila	President Madison	9 a.m.
Holhow	Kwangtung	9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	9 a.m.
MONDAY, JANUARY 5.		
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 6.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	1 p.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

AIRCRAFT CARRIERS DOOMED.

Supersession by Giant Flying Boats Likely.

London, Nov. 5.
The proposed trans-Atlantic flight of the giant German flying boat DO-X may sound the doom of the aircraft carrier, and pointed the way for a revolution in the whole system of naval aviation, according to some schools of thought in British naval circles.
For the flight of the DO-X will have definitely opened the way for the construction of flying boats big enough to carry in their hulls two, or even three, small fighting aeroplanes and big enough and strong enough to accompany the fleets in practically any sort of weather.
If further experience proves this right, and if British flying boats now building and, practically equalling the DO-X in size demonstrate sea-going qualities equal or superior to the DO-X, the next step, it is declared, will be the construction of some really gigantic military flying boats and the relegation of the present enormously expensive aircraft carriers to the scrap heap.

Vulnerable Craft.

Such a move, it is believed, would be welcomed in all of the components of the navy, for the aircraft carrier is not only exceedingly expensive to build and maintain, but is probably the most vulnerable of any of the naval vessels. In conditions of actual warfare the enemy's first thought would probably be to concentrate on sinking its opponent's aircraft carrier and thus at the very outset of the battle leave a terrible gap in its fleet. Therefore the aircraft carrier has to be protected by special units which under war conditions the Commander-in-Chief can ill-spare from other vital duties.

But with the flight of the DO-X opening vistas of flying boats capable of operating on the water or in the air in bad weather, and backed up by a number of small machines carried by the flying boats themselves, many students of naval strategy foresee not only a complete revision of naval operations based on air co-operation with the fleet, but the formation of long-distance flying fleets accompanied by their own refuelling aircraft and operating entirely independently of waterborne fleets. Such a fleet might remain at sea for weeks, mostly resting or slowly cruising on the surface with one engine but ready at any moment to take to the air upon the approach of either hostile aircraft or naval fleets.

Great Possibilities.

Such fleets, too, it is claimed, could patrol trade routes, protect their own merchants shipping, and at the same time by operating in groups of two or three, intercept and destroy enemy merchantmen, yet acting in full compliance with the laws of war. Such merchantmen would be halted by dropping a smoke bomb in the water off the bows of the merchantmen. Then one of the flying boats would alight and send aboard an officer and a couple of men to inspect papers and set a time limit for the abandonment of the ship. Meanwhile the second flying boat would circle high over head as a warning against any attempt at treachery on the part of the crew of the merchantman. At the conclusion of the time-limit and upon evidence that the abandonment of the vessel was complete, it could either be bombed from the air or sunk by a time charge affixed to the vessel just below the waterline by the crew of the first flying boat.

Such fleets, it is claimed, could take over many of the duties now performed in war-time by destroyers and light cruisers, and do it with fewer units and at much less expense owing to the lower cost of construction of a flying boat as compared with a cruiser, the smaller crew required, and the much greater speed with which any given patrol route could be covered.—United Press.

RESEARCH WORK IN TIBET.

Solving Problems of Old Religions.

New Delhi, Nov. 10.
Professor Tucci has just arrived at Srinagar from his Western Tibetan tour which he undertook in order to complete his researches already begun in Nepal. He has found a large number of texts and manuscripts which will help scholars to solve some of the most important and complex Indo-Tibetan problems, including that of the original religion of Tibet, the founder of Lamaism and the ancient relations between Tibet and India.
Before Buddhism and for a long time side by side with it, there has been in Tibet another religion called Bon. Its contents and peculiarities were almost unknown to us. Fortunately researches in monasteries of Western Tibet proved fruitful. Texts have been found which contain the cosmogony and theology of Bonpos, their liturgy and rituals, lists of masters and gods.
Some of these books are translations from the language of the Guge country, near Manasarovar, and show evident influence of Indian thought. The cosmogony on the other hand suggests Iranian influences.
These books will enable a solution of many other questions such as that of the relations between the Bonpos and the so-called founder of Lamaism, Padma Sambhava. The personality itself of this master is almost a mystery. His original system is even less known. His biographies handed down to us are not only imperfectly investigated but fundamentally legendary.

An Ancient Manuscript.
Professor Tucci has succeeded in bringing back not only various collections of texts belonging to his school which shed great light on his doctrines and their connection with other systems of India and Iran, but also an ancient manuscript containing an unknown biography of Padma Sambhava based upon more historical foundation. The country from which Padma Sambhava hailed is said to have been Urygan, identified either with Orissa or some part of Orissa or some part of Bengal or with Swat.
Two itineraries of Tibetan pilgrims have been found which show beyond any doubt that the last identification only is the right one.

One of these itineraries, by a contemporary of Kublikhan Khan contains much geographical and historical information, of great value, specially for North India, Kashmir, Afghanistan and the routes from Tibet to India.
These itineraries are supplemented by the biography of a Buddhist saint of the 15th century who travelled all over India up to Persia, the Maldives where he found Buddhism still flourishing, Ceylon, Java and some islands near Australia.
It sheds unexpected light upon Indian Buddhism of later times.
The Tibetan chronicles have not been published with the only exception of those of Ladak recently edited by Dr. Franke.
Tibetan Chronicles.
A manuscript containing these chronicles of Tibet has been copied by Professor Tucci. In its first chapter dealing with the origin of Tibet, this book embodies many myths and legends but after Srongtsan Gampo, the first great King of Tibet of the 8th century, who adopted Buddhism, it represents almost the only historical record to which we have now access, as it gives a complete account of Tibetan events up to the 14th century, chronologically arranged and generally trustworthy.
It cannot be ignored by those interested in Tibetan history.
All these texts have at the same time a great bearing upon Indian culture from 8th to 15th century, so little known as yet, and point out once more the great importance of Tantrikism. This, in fact, was almost the only vehicle by which

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On demand	27 1/16
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Buddhism and with it Indian civilisation were introduced into Tibet.
Culturally this country is strictly related to India and it is therefore evident that investigation of its literature will not only solve many problems of Tibetan philology and history, but also greatly contribute to a better knowledge of India.

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Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	1750	1757	...	Dec.	Interim 25 cts 1930	Aug. 11, 30
Chartered Bank	Dec.	Interim 7 1/2 cts 1930	Sep. — 30
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	Dec.	Interim 10 cts 1930	Sep. — 30
Bank of Asia	115	...	...	Dec.	8 cts for 1929	Feb. 28, 30
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	Dec.	Final 47 cts for 1929	May 16, 30
Union Ins.	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	May 30, 30
*China Underwriters	320	380	...	Dec.	Final 20 cts 1930	May 30, 30
China Fire Ins.	400	...	...	Dec.	Final 20 cts 1930	May 30, 30
H. K. Fire Ins.	Dec.	Final 20 cts 1930	Mar. 30, 30
Shipping.						
Douglases	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
H. K. Steamships	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.)	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	June 19, 30
Shell Transport	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
Union Waterboats	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Mar. 30, 30
Mining.						
Reynolds	Dec.	Interim 10 cts 1930	Sep. 30, 30
Kailan Mining Ad. S.	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Oct. 30, 30
Langkat	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	May 6, 30
S'hai Exploration	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
Loans	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	July 1, 30
Raubs	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Dec. 16, 30
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & S. Wharves	1731	...	...	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Mar. 18, 30
H. K. & W. Docks	30	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929	...
South Ch. Motors	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
*China Provident (old)	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
Hongkew	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Sep. 13, 30
N. Engineering	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Feb. 25, 30
Shanghai Docks	114	...	...	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	July 30, 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
*H. K. & S. Hotels	12 1/2	12 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Apr. 7, 30
H. K. Lands (old)	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Aug. 8, 30
South Ch. Motors	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	July 31, 30
*China Provident (old)	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	May 7, 30
H. K. Realities	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Sep. 4, 30
Chinese Estates	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	July 31, 30
Cotton Mills.						
*Ewo Cotton	11.00	11.80	...	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai Cotton	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Nov. 20, 30
Zoong Sings	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.						
*H. K. Tramways	18	...	...	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Aug. 27, 30
Peak Tram (old)	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	June 15, 30
Star Ferry	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Feb. 14, 30
*China Light	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Dec. 15, 30
H. K. Electric	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Mar. 19, 30
Macao	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
Sandakan Lights	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
H. K. Tels. fully paid	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Aug. 1, 30
China Buses	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Feb. 25, 30
S'pore Traction (Ord.)	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Feb. 6, 30
Industrials.						
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Malayan Sugars	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Apr. 30, 30
Cald. Macg. Ord.	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
Canton Ice	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
*Cementa (com.)	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
H. K. Ropes	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farm (old)	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Mar. 14, 30
Watsons	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Mar. 31, 30
Der-A Wings	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
Lanc. Crawfords	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	May 15, 30
Mackintosh	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	June 10, 30
Sincere	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
Wm. Powells	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
Miscellaneous.						
H. K. Amusement	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	Sep. 27, 30
Ch. Entertainment	Dec.	Final 10 cts for 1929	...
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The picture has Haines as a chap fresh from college, with a diploma, a swelled head, and a bagful of "wise-cracks." The plot depicts his adventures trying to get his first job and his early struggles with the world business and competition.

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Haines starts with pranks and comedy; he meets a girl in an office and falls in love with her; gets his first job; his father dies and he shoulders the responsibility for the family—and a whirlwind finish sees him "come through." The hilarious incidents include an automobile elopement and details of an actual, Wall Street brokerage house in full operation in the heat of trading. The human interest lies in the intimate touches of family life. Comedy at a college party, a night club, and the breaking up of a wedding add the typical Haines whimsicalities.

Sam Wood directed the picture with the same deft skill that marks his "So This Is College." Lella Hyams, who played opposite the star in "Alias Jimmy Valentine," appears as a heroine who is not only charming to gaze upon, but a very accomplished actress as well, and Francis X. Bushman, jun., plays the "heavy" as McAndrews, the office manager. Junior Coghlan, his "mascot" in "Slide, Kelly, Slide," contributes comedy as the small brother, and Polly Moran and Marie Dressler get in a couple of howls of mirth.

"IN GAY MADRID."

Ramon Novarro is seen to advantage in "In Gay Madrid," an all-talking and singing adaptation of an old Spanish classic, which is showing at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow.

The story concerns the love of a Madrid actor for a demure Santiago senorita. His infatuation for a dancer, however, endangers the romance and leads to a duel with the brother of the girl he loves.

The settings are magnificently executed and in keeping with the charm and romance of old Spain in which the story is set.

In supporting roles are Dorothy Jordan, Lottie Howell, Claude King, Beryl Mercer, Herbert Clark, David Scott and others, all of whom give adequate performances.

"CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD."

Many beautiful torchlight scenes, both of the village peasants dancing and singing their folk songs, and of the determined men of Marseilles marching on to victory, in the French Revolution, are artistically brought to the all-sound screen by Director John S. Robert.

son in Universal's tremendous romantic drama "Captain of the Guard," which is now being shown in the Central Theatre and which will be shown for the last time to-morrow.

Five beautiful songs, all especially written by Charles Wakefield Cadman and Rex Roehmold, are sung by John Boles. These songs, which include tender love songs and stirring battle numbers, are in addition to the tremendous music of "La Marseillaise," France's immortal national hymn, which Boles also sings in the picture. Laura La Plante is starred with the singing star, and such outstanding players as Sam de Grasse, Lionel Belmore, James Marcus, Stuart Holmes, and many others play important parts. Here is a picture that no one should miss.

A LOST REPUTATION.

"THE IRON VIRGIN OF NUREMBERG."

Berlin, Nov. 6.

The many visitors who in the course of years have gazed with feelings of horror at the Iron Virgin of Nuremberg, will be relieved to learn that this sinister lady is a hollow sham, and that no unhappy victims were done to death in her spiked interior in the dark days of the fifteenth century, for she herself first saw the light of day in a local smithy in 1867.

The Iron Virgin is the show piece of that astonishing collection of instruments of torture stored in the famous pentagonal tower of the castle which dominates the town. Among them are rolling pins with spikes with which victims were wont to be vigorously massaged, a cradle with a spiked interior in which they were rocked, and other terrifying contrivances. Most terrifying of all is the Iron Virgin, a placid mediaeval citizeness whose flowing cloak opens to show an interior armed with murderous iron spikes. The hapless victim, as the guides would tell the tourists, was placed within the cloak, the two halves of which slowly closed upon him. It was rumoured that there had once been a trap door underneath the Iron Virgin which opened to let the body fall into a stream far below.

The Iron Virgin was in private ownership, and the owner recently died, leaving his collection to the town. It was then found, according to the Deutsche Zeitung, that his father-in-law, from whom he inherited the collection, had had a wooden figure made by a carpenter at Elbach, a village near Nuremberg. The carpenter's son still lives and remembers the making of the figure. The story was once entrusted to him, with strict injunctions to secrecy, by his mother. Afterwards a blacksmith of Elbach and other helpers covered the figure with iron plates, and thus the Iron Virgin took shape in 1867. The original owner, an antiquary, had difficulty in paying for her, and raised the money by a puppet peepshow.

Belgium has officially accepted the invitation to take part in the World's Grain Exhibition and Conference at Regina, from July 25 to August 6, 1932. Some little time ago official invitations were sent from the Dominion Government to all countries inviting them to participate and a number of these have already signified their desire to do so. They include Peru, Yugoslavia, Guatemala, New Zealand, Poland, Czechoslovakia, The Netherlands and Belgium.

Gold Rush Veteran



Up along Rocky, Lightning and Williams creeks in the Cariboo district of British Columbia where the gold stampede of 1864 is still a vivid memory, Big Mouth Jack (above) who came from China as a boy and entered the gold country in 1865, worked 65 years to earn a stake which would take him back to China to live in luxury the rest of his days. Fortune, however, proved unkind and Big Mouth made only enough to live on. A few days ago the aged Chinese prospector, now 85, was a passenger on the Canadian Pacific liner

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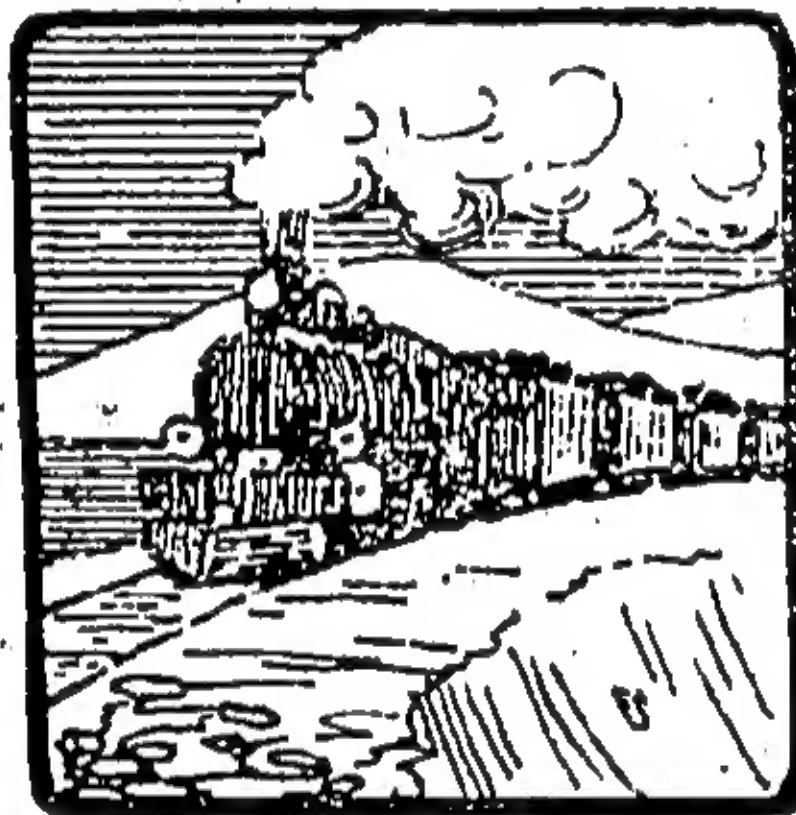
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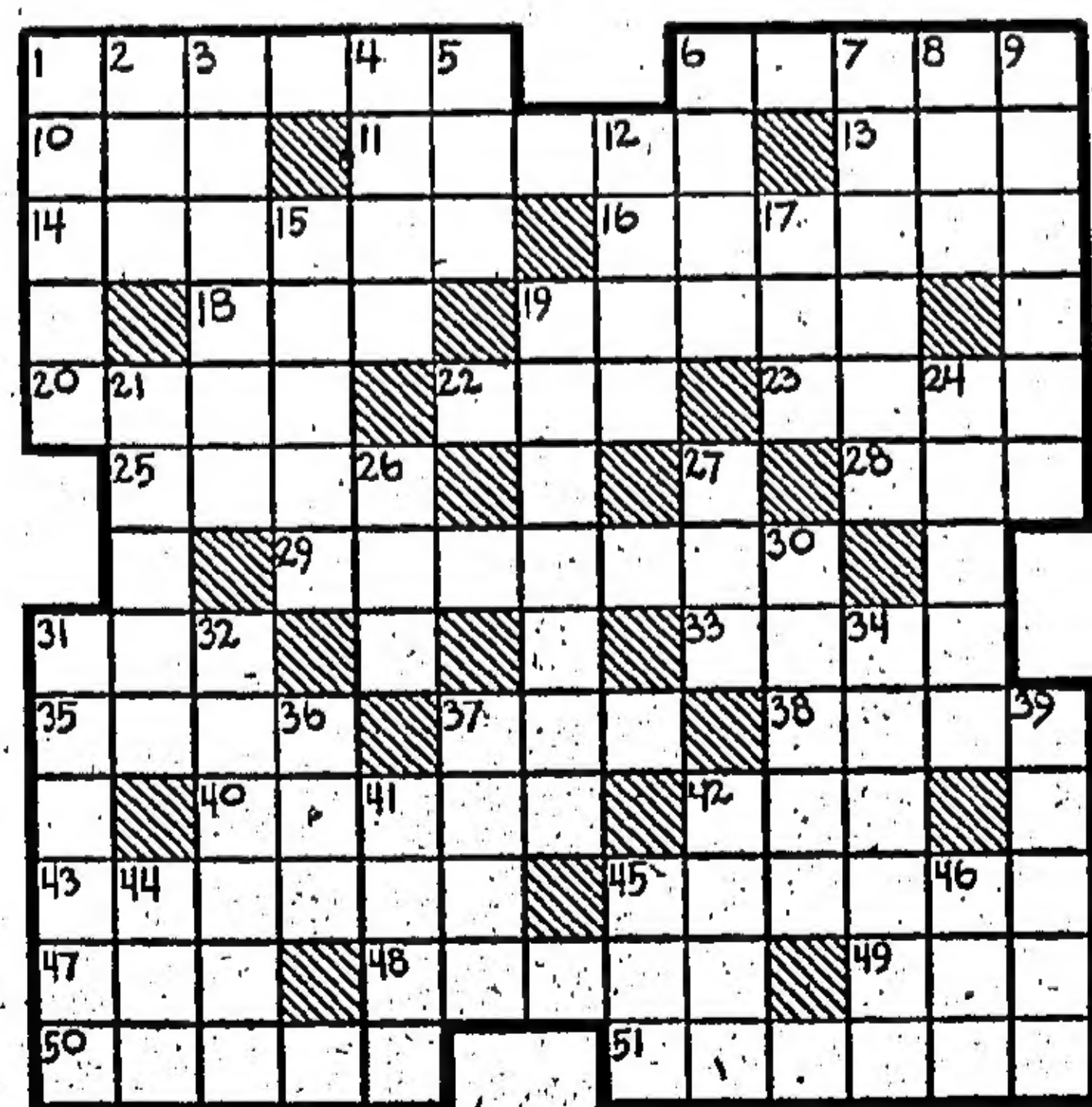
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(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-A dried grape
6-Stake marking course in aerodrome
10-An eagle
11-A nautical coin
13-A metric land measure
14-Made full
16-Race
18-Vapor
19-Plainer
20-A city in Nevada
22-Observed
23-Narrate
25-Feminine name
26-A falsehood
28-The studs of grain stalks
31-A taste
33-Contrasted
35-Salty

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
37-A wager
38-A group
40-Grass
42-Over contracted
43-Clipped
45-In a drifting state
47-Wither
48-To one side
49-Diminutive suffix
50-Dangerous woman
51-Ascend

VERTICAL
1-Ajude
2-Africa (abbr.)
3-Remote from the sea
4-River in Bohemia
5-Bow the head
6-Indigent
7-An evergreen shrub
8-Row metal

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

RADIO TOPICS

RADIO TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres:-

5 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records selected and supplied by the Anderson Music Co.

5-6 p.m.—Variety.

Organ Duet—The Moonlight Reminds Me of You, Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Crawford (22413).

Organ Solo—It Happened in Monterey, Jesse Crawford (22413).

Humorous Song—The Return of Abdul Abul Amir, Frank Crumit (22482).

Orchestral—Chloe, Paul Whiteman and His Concert Orchestra (35912).

Humorous Song—My Lover, Grace Hayes (22388).

Orchestral—Italian Airs, Victor Novelty Orchestra (22429).

Cornet Solo & Band—My Heaven of Love, Del Stalgers (22429).

Song—Alabama Lullaby, Gene Austin, Tenor (22539).

Hawaiian Orchestra—Southern Melodies, Walter Kolomoiki's Honoluluans (35917).

Singing with Guitars—Jimmie's Texas Blues, Jimmie Rogers (22379).

Orchestral—Gypsy Souvenir, Hungarian Flower, Hungarian Rhapsody Orch. (35929).

Pianoforte Duet—After You've Gone, St. Louis Blues, Thomas Waller-Bonnie Paine (22371).

6-6.30 p.m.—Children's Programme from the Studio.

6.30-7.15 p.m.—Orchestral.

Sakuntala—Overture, Victor Symphony Orchestra (22535-6).

Perpetual Motion, Berlin State Opera Orchestra (4127).

Masked Ball Selections, Creator's Band (36006).

In the Mountain Pass, In the Mosque, Victor Symphony Orchestra (36017).

Minuet from "Beau Brummel", Wand of Youth, London Symphony Orchestra (9472).

7.15-7.45 p.m.—A Concert.

Song—Jack O'Hazelden, Mary Garden, Soprano (7245).

Violoncello—Allegro, Adagio, Pablo Casals (7258).

Song—Kathleen Mavourneen, John McCormack, Tenor (6176).

Violin Solo—Rondo.

Adoration... Renee Chemet (7253). 7.45-8 p.m.—Carmen Suite.

Gypsy Dance, Les Dragons d'Alcala, Philadelphia Symphony Orch. (6873).

March of the Smugglers, Soldiers Changing the Guard, Philadelphia Symphony Orch. (6874).

8 p.m.—Ko Shing Theatre Relay.

9 p.m.—Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

RADIO DEVELOPMENT.

As a further evidence of radio development in Australia comes the wireless telephone between Australia and New Zealand. Already the New Zealand Government is moving in this connection, having ordered from Amalgamated Wireless the necessary plant. In six months this service may be working. Technical details have been completed for the immediate establishment of wireless beacons at 20 of the principal lighthouses on the Australian coast. With these in operation no matter how dense might be a fog, or how tempestuous the weather, no ship equipped with direction finding equipment could or ashore through losing its way. Marine disasters would still be possible, but all the while, by means of the radio beacon, the captain would know exactly where he was.

Recently an automatic wireless distress transmitter was invented and produced in Australia, which would permit of the operator leaving a sinking ship by the first boat if such a course was desirable. This instrument can be set in action by any one at the touch of a switch. Once started it sends out the SOS and the name of the ship every few seconds. In another half-minute the ship's position also goes forth, and so the distress signal, the ship's name, and position are continuously radiated until either the vessel sinks or someone switches off the transmitter. This invention is designed primarily for the small ships, 168 in number, in the Australian intra-State trade, which are not required by law to carry wireless.

Radio Guides for Aircraft. Similarly, all is ready for the establishment of radio guides for aircraft. The whole problem has been the subject of experiment; it has all been worked out. In a few months Australia could be made safe for flying, at least so far as guidance of the pilots is concerned. Forced landings arising from mishaps to the plane might still occur, but even then the pilot, with the aid of radio, could communicate with the world. For small planes on

well-defined routes, such as Melbourne-Sydney-Brisbane, only a radio receiver would be necessary. Engineers could lay down a scheme of radio beacons on land, receivers or transmitters in planes, which would enable any pilot to find his way anywhere at any time, and to know always just where he was. Pictures could be transmitted also by wireless from Australia to London. They already have been. From a technical point of view it would be possible—and practicable—to establish a service for the instantaneous transmission of pictures between Australia and any country in the world. Events of interests, happening in Britain and Europe could be illustrated next day in the Press. The broadcasting stations will shortly add pictures to their service. Already this is being done in other countries, and approval has been given for a service to start in Sydney and Melbourne. This will enable radio listeners to receive on special attachments to their sets pictures of current events broadcast by wireless.

VALVES.

THE IMPORTANCE OF CORRECT SELECTION.

Valve selection is probably one of the hardest tasks which faces the home constructor of radio unless one can get the advice of a technical man. To the average home constructor the matter of valves is something of a gamble, but unless the right type is selected the results from the set will not be perfect. Different types of valves are made to work in various parts of the set, and with certain definite ratios of parts. These can best be determined by the man from whom you buy the parts. A careful selection of valves will add tone quality and sensitivity to most sets, and that is, perhaps, why most commercially made units seem to give better results than the average home-made unit. If you are operating a factory-made set, always replace a defective valve with one of the same type. It is a very rare thing to find that other types of valves will give the same or better results.

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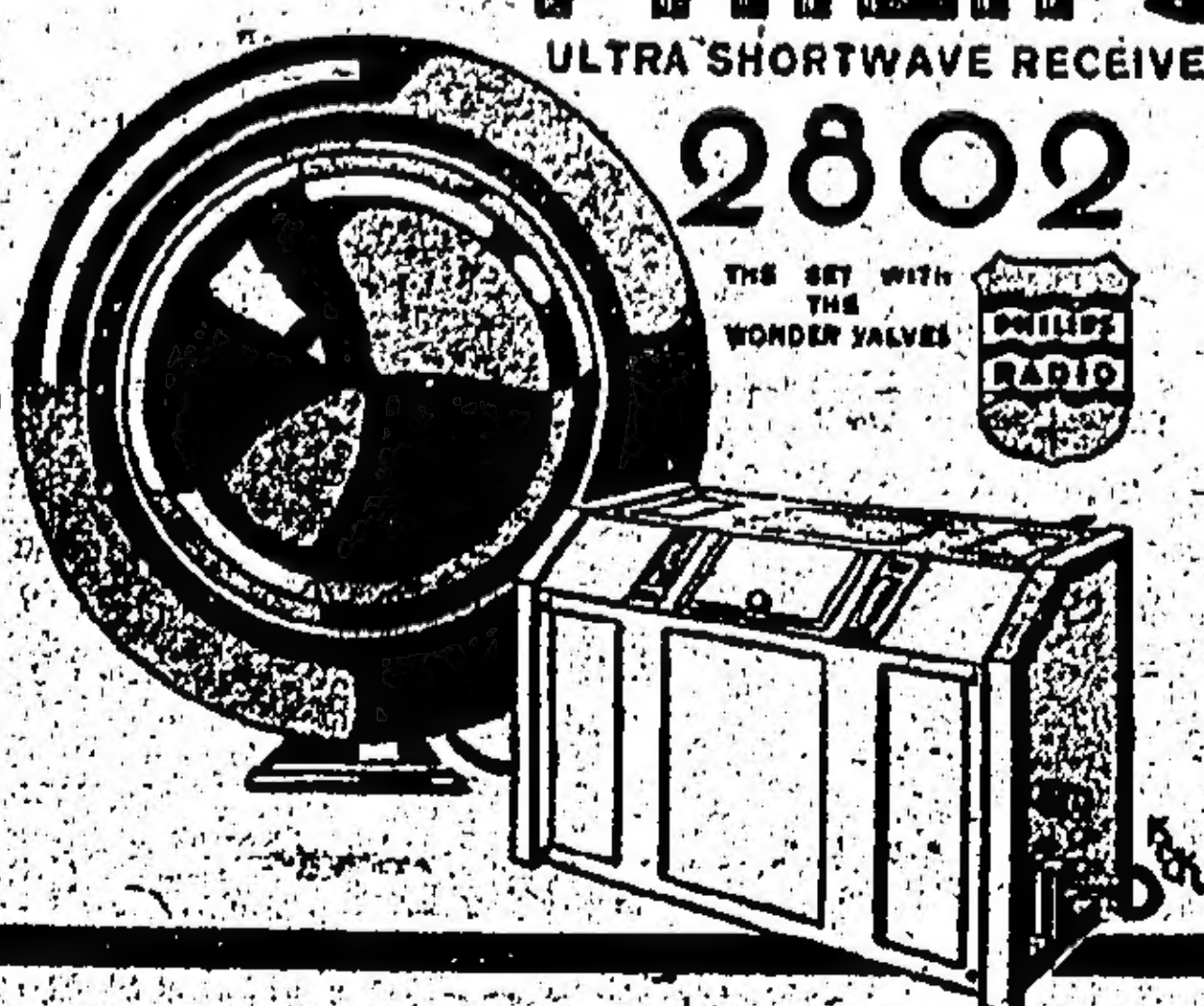
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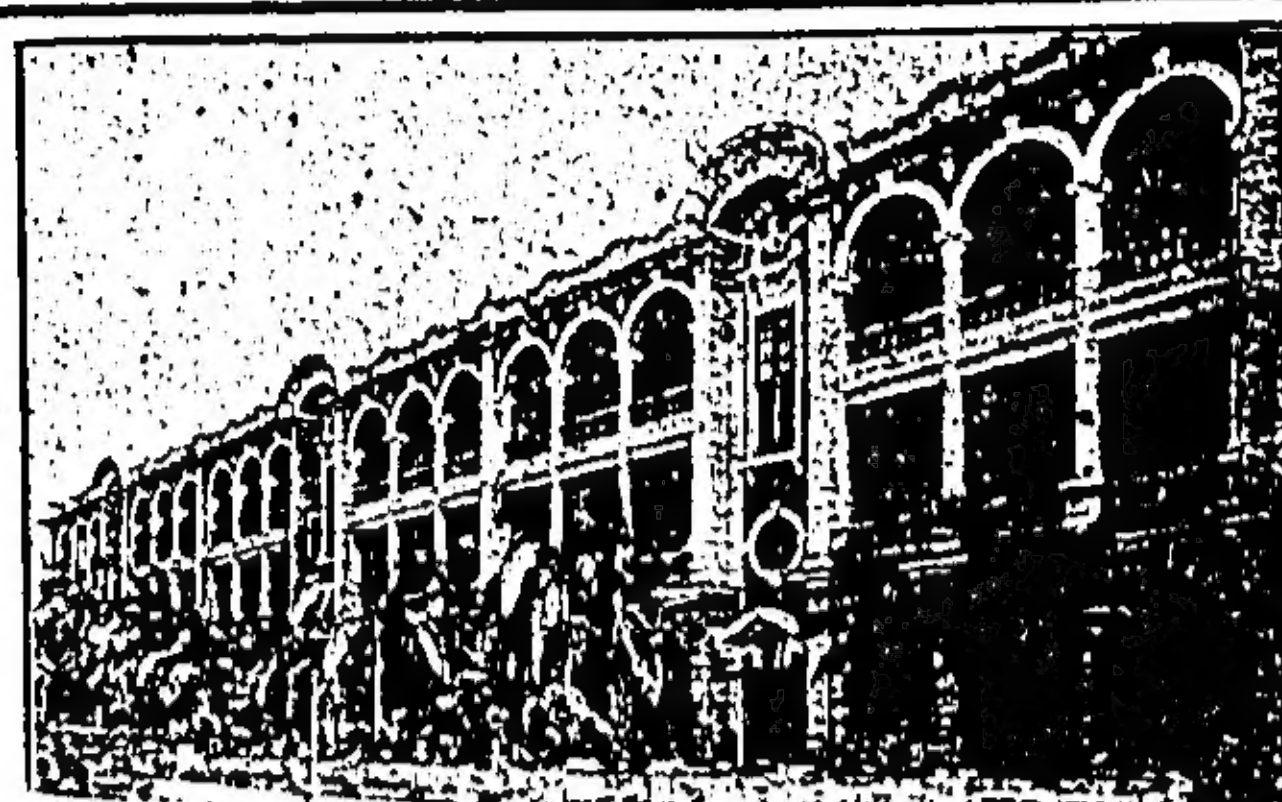
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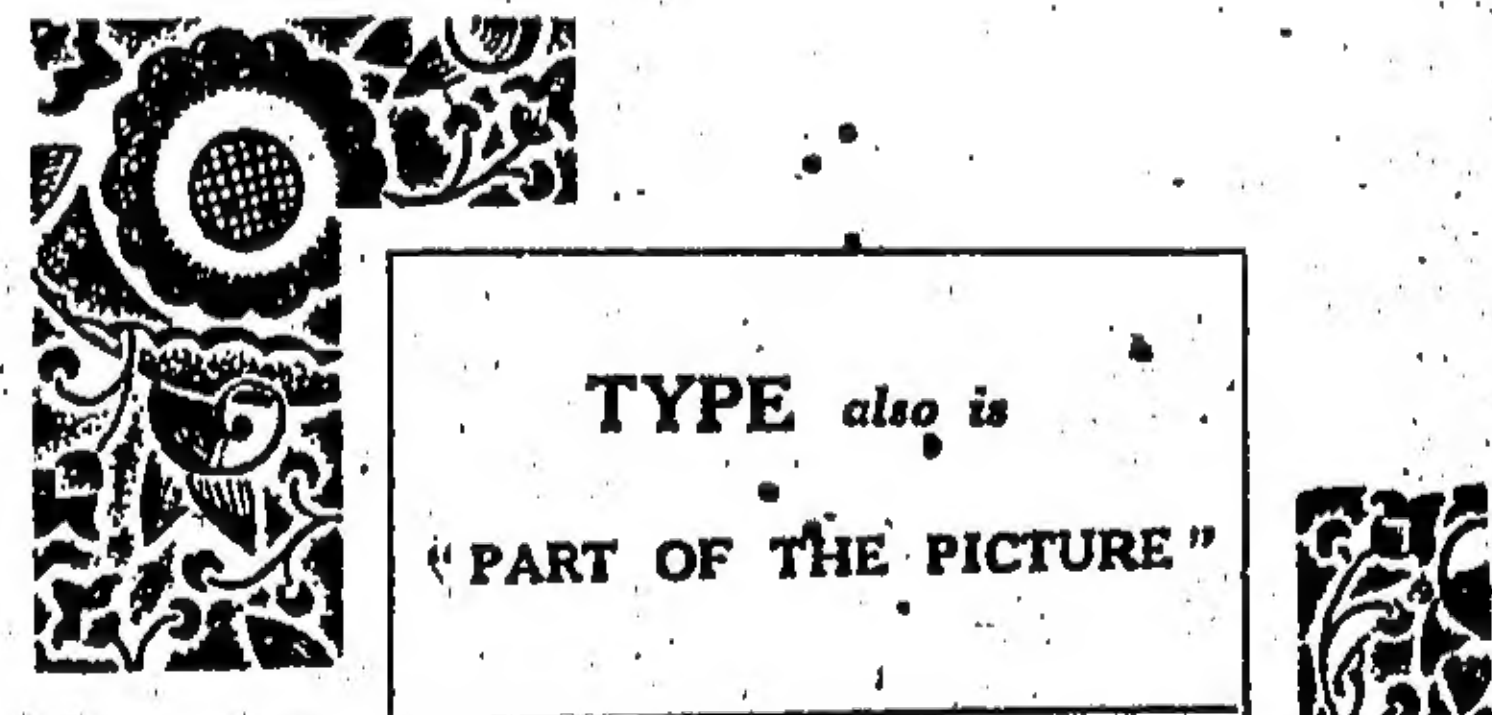
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BURGLARY CHARGES

TWO UNEMPLOYED CHINESE
 TO BE TRIED.

After a remand of one week, two unemployed Chinese, Chan Ming (21), and Chan Sik-tin (14), again appeared before Mr. Butters in the Kowloon Magistracy to-day on a charge of breaking into No. 293, Laichikok Road, and stealing two rattan baskets containing \$24 in money, four finger rings, a pair of ear-rings and 35 pieces of female clothing, the property of Wan Tai, an amah. An additional charge of receiving a basket containing 24 pieces of clothing valued at \$21, was preferred against the second accused. The first accused was also charged with receiving a rattan basket containing \$24, a pair of ear-rings, four gold finger-rings, and 11 pieces of clothing, and with the theft of a gramophone valued \$22, from No. 61, Nam Cheung Street, the property of Chan Hoi-sing, a photographer, and receiving the same.

A plea of not guilty was entered and the case was fixed for hearing on January 16, bail of \$1,000 each being allowed.

CABLE PROFITS.

TRAFFIC RECEIPTS OF IMPERIAL COMMUNICATIONS, LTD.

We are informed by the Hong Kong Branch of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd., that the estimated traffic receipts of the Imperial and International Communications, Ltd., for November, 1930, were \$402,886, and the receipts for November, 1929, \$512,163. The aggregate receipts from January to November were \$4,929,154 in 1930 and \$5,628,629 in 1929.

The Vancouver Creosoting Company is extending its plant considerably to include the building of a new wharf of creosoting piling and timber, which will increase the pier's accommodation by 27,000 square feet; a new treating cylinder unit and two creosote oil storage tanks with a storage capacity of 2,000,000 gallons and a large, specially designed, incising machine capable of incising timber up to 24 square inches. The improvements under way will increase the capacity of the plant by 50 per cent.

DARING HOLD-UP OF CANTON TRAIN.

Passengers Kidnapped
 by Bandits.

OVER \$3,000 STOLEN.

Canton, Yesterday.
 The passenger and freight train on the Canton-Shaochow line, which left Wangsha on December 26 at 3.20 p.m. for Yunnan, was held up by a number of bandits at 5.15 p.m. while reaching Hung Pang Kiang, about 15 li from the Kuntien station. All the passengers were driven to a corner and were searched one by one for their valuables and moneys which were estimated at a loss of a little over \$3,000. Among the passengers, 13 who were regarded to be wealthy persons, were subsequently kidnapped by the bandits for ransom.

Train Boarded.

According to a report, three bandits first jumped up to a coal car while passing the Kun Tien station, without the knowledge of the engineer, who was forced with pistols to obey the orders of the bandits. The engineer was instructed to stop the train when reaching Hung Pang Kiang, where over 20 bandits boarded the train and took complete control of it.

Future Precaution.

In order to guard against the activities of bandits on the Canton-Shaochow line, Director Chan Yin-mui has submitted a report to General Chan Chai-tong asking for adequate protection on that line. It is understood that a squad of gendarmes will escort the train running on this line daily.—Canton News Agency.

HELLO AMERICA!

'PHONE CALLS NOW ACCEPTED
 FOR CANADA & CUBA.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Postmaster-General announces that from January 1 calls will be accepted in the trans-Atlantic telephone service for all parts of Canada and Mexico instead of principal towns only, and will thus be available to the whole of the North American continent, including Cuba.—British Wireless Service.

"ON THE BORDER."

ALLEGED SEDITION CASE FALLS
 TO GROUND.

Considering it to be a border line case, Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, discharged Yau Kwai (26), a foki employed at the Talkoo Sugar Refinery, who appeared on a remand charge from yesterday of the unlawful possession of seditious documents, which were likely to cause a breach of the peace, at Quarry Bay.

Detective-Sergeant Kennedy, who prosecuted, said that he had consulted the C.D.I. and the A.D.C.I., and had been instructed to leave the case entirely in his Worship's hands. There were no further facts.

THEFT OF CLOTH.

POLICE OFFICIAL FROM
 SWATOW SENTENCED.

Stated to be a Police official from Swatow, Tai Kam-fai was fined \$50, or two months' imprisonment, at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day, for unlawful possession of a roll of cloth in Temple Street.

When accosted he said he had purchased it from the Hung Hing shop, but on enquires the foki of the shop denied selling the cloth to him. Moreover, no cloth of that description was stocked by them.

Accused told a complicated story when questioned by Mr. Butters this morning, involving fights, friends, gambling, and trumped-up charges, which eventually led to his reason for saying that he had bought the cloth.

SIR GEOFFREY SALMOND.

Reaches Delhi After Bad Weather Delay.

New Delhi, Nov. 21.

Two R.A.F. machines, with Air Chief Marshal Sir Geoffrey Salmond, left Calcutta on November 19, but owing to bad weather the Wapiti machine with Sir Geoffrey landed at Asansol, while the Hansadi machine returned to Calcutta.

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